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NEWS FROM TOWER HAMLETS COUNCIL AND YOUR COMMUNITY

Hundreds march in support of GPs

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

HUNDREDS of GP patients and health professionals marched through Tower Hamlets last Thursday, in support of surgeries threatened by the withdrawal of government funding.

They say new financing plans are threatening large numbers of health practices with bankruptcy, and are calling for the funding formula to be modified to take account of the effects of deprivation in the borough.

Practice staff, members of the Royal College of GPs, members of the Unite trade union, community leaders and members of the campaigning group Keep our NHS Public were among those who joined the march from Wapping to Bromley-by-Bow.

Carrying colourful banners and placards, the marchers stopped outside 14 surgeries which staff fear may have to close.

Jackie Applebee, a GP at the Tredegar Practice in Bow and one of the rally organisers, said: "A threat to one practice in the borough is a threat to all. If any practice falls over financially, it puts more pressure on the rest of us. We will be asked to do much more for less."

The Minimum Practice Income Guarantee was introduced to ensure practices in deprived areas like Tower Hamlets, with a high turnover of patients, were funded adequately to deliver high-quality GP services.

Government changes, which came into effect in April this year, mean that the funding for GP practices will be matched to the number of patients they serve and the health needs of those patients.

However, campaigners say government plans to phase out the guarantee in the next seven years means more weight will be given to age rather than deprivation.

Among the surgeries under threat of losing funding is the 70-year-old Jubilee Street Practice in Limehouse, which has around 11,000 patients.

Managers and GPs there say consequences of the new funding formula will mean less access for patients, less safety and the potential loss of dedicated services such as antenatal and preventative care.

"We believe the present situation represents an urgent funding crisis which needs to be addressed immediately for the safety and well being of our patients," staff said in a statement.

Dr Applebee urged the public to sign a petition at **https://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/save-inner-city-gp-surgeries**

Some of the demonstrators who marched last Thursday

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Volunteers and parents' forum members from Marner and Mile End Children's Centres

Honoured for giving a vital voluntary service

BY SUSAN MULLIGAN

THE hard work of volunteers in children's centres was celebrated at an event to celebrate Volunteers' Week.

Each was presented with a certificate at the council-organised afternoon held at Tarling East Community Centre in Shadwell on June 3.

A film highlighting the many different types of volunteering was also screened and there was a host of fun activities for children.

There are more than 160 volunteers and parents' forum members at the borough's children's centres who regularly give up their time to take part in, and support, services and activities.

Many parents who have volunteered also develop the skills and confidence to gain paid employment.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "Our volunteers provide a vital community service, and help to ensure that children's centres provide the support that local families need."

Anne Canning, head of learning and achievement at the council, said: "I would like to thank our children's centre volunteers for their dedication, and for ensuring that the voices of children and families continue to shape our services."

Ocean Children's Centre volunteer Sherrie Brar Sacha and her son Zane

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Place of worship since 1985

The East London Mosque in Whitechapel Road was built in 1985. The London Muslim Centre was added in 2004 and last year the Maryam Centre for women was opened.

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Celebrating history

June is Gypsy, Roma, Traveller History Month and a special family fun day is being held in Mile End Park.

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Biker hurt in police crash

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

BUSINESSES and residents in Poplar High Street were trying to carry on with their daily routines after a road crash in which seven people were injured.

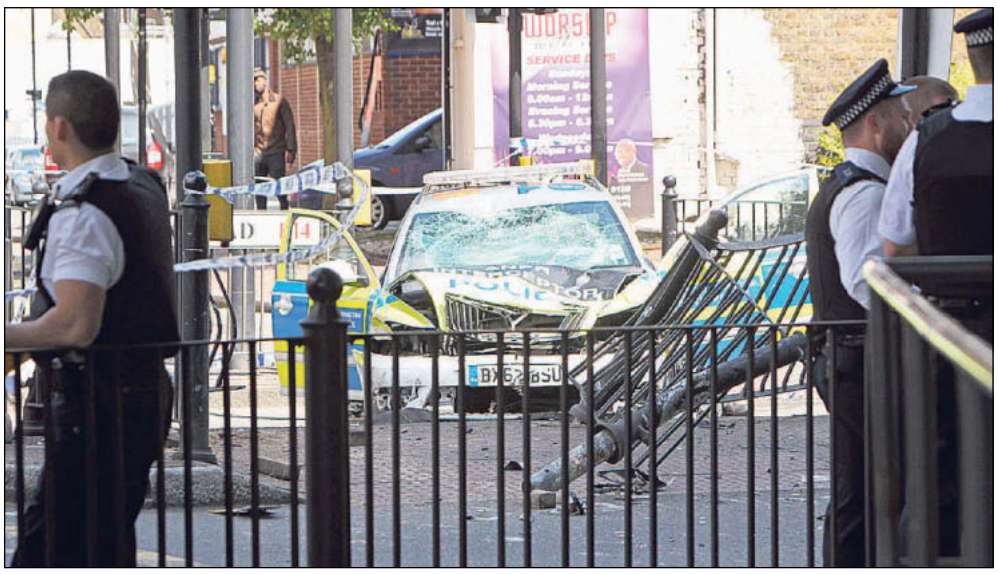
The collision between a police car and a motorcycle occurred on the Cotton Street junction with Poplar High Street at about 1.20pm last Thursday, June 5. Four pedestrians were also hurt, two of them seriously.

Police were responding to a report of a suspect vehicle when the accident occurred.

Paramedics and the London Air Ambulance attended the scene.

The motorcyclist, a 27-year-old man, was taken to a London hospital with suspected head and leg injuries. His condition was initially described as life threatening but was considered stable on Friday.

Four male pedestrians sustained injuries from flying debris. They were taken to an east London hospital where two were discharged. The remaining two were described as being in a serious condition.



The police car and street railings were badly damaged by the collision

The officers in the car suffered minor injuries and were later discharged from hospital.

Jack Darby, who lives on the Isle of Dogs, said he was on his motorcycle approaching Poplar High Street when he heard an "almighty thump".

Mr Darby added: "I saw a man lying on the ground. A police officer was attending to him and there was a lot of blood. His trainers and helmet had come off and I saw the air ambulance crew treat him on the ground before they flew him off."

The incident has been referred to the Met Police's directorate of professional standards (DPS) and to the Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC), who will decide whether to investigate.

Witnesses or anyone with information are asked to call the serious collision investigation unit at Chadwell Heath on 8597 4874 or the police non-emergency line on 101.

Cruiser passengers injured in Tower Bridge collison

SCORES of people were treated for injuries when a Thames cruiser collided with Tower Bridge last Wednesday, June 4.

Crew members from the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) Tower lifeboat station were called shortly after midday to the incident involving City Cruises' vessel Millennium Diamond.

The crew treated a woman in her 60s for a head wound and she was taken by ambulance to hospital for further treatment.

Kevin Maynard, one of the four Tower RNLI lifeboat crew members on the lifeboat, said: "We understand the woman had been standing at the top of some steel steps when the collision happened and the impact knocked her down."

The crew treated a further nine people at the scene.

In a statement, the boat operator said: "City Cruises deeply regrets the incident occurred and is doing everything it can to support the authorities and those involved in the incident."

Council backs election probe

THE council has been working closely with the police who have been investigating allegations of electoral malpractice during last month's elections.

The police said last week they had received 84 complaints but in the majority of cases there was no evidence of criminality.

The council's returning officer John Williams said: "We note that while 84 complaints have been referred to the police only eight of the complaints merit an investigation as in the majority of cases there is no evidence any criminal offences have been committed."

Of the eight investigations one refers to an allegation of failing to put a correct imprint on election literature; one of making a false statement about a candidate; four of false declarations on nomination papers; and two relating to postal voting.

Mr Williams is also looking into several complaints which, while not of a criminal nature, could represent a breach of the Tower Hamlets local elections protocol.

News in brief

Sharpen your skills

UNEMPLOYED women are invited to enrol on a six-week employability skills course starting on June 11.

The free course at the Montefiore Centre, in Hanbury Street, Whitechapel, will cover job searching, applications, CV writing and interview skills.

It is run by Globe community project, and is made up of 12 sessions, delivered twice a week, every Wednesday and Thursday between 10am and 12.30pm. It will include a period of voluntary work or a work placement.

For more details, call 3222 5085 or email **bouncetowork@gmail.com**

Firefighters' strikes

FIREFIGHTERS have announced two strikes in a dispute over pensions.

Members of the Fire Brigades Union will walk out for 24 hours from 9am on Thursday, June 12, with a second strike set for 10am-5pm on Saturday, June 21.

In addition, firefighters say they will not carry out any voluntary overtime between the two dates.

Family fun day

A FREE family fun day with a distinctly Gypsy and Traveller flavour returns to Mile End Park this weekend.

Organised as part of Gypsy, Roma, Traveller History Month, attractions will include blacksmith workshops, performances by traditional Roma and Irish musicians, a children's funfair and a football tournament. Traditional Traveller and Gypsy food will be served.

The fun runs from 12-4pm on Saturday, June 14 in Mile End Park, next to Burdett Road, E3.

Day for carers

ALZHEIMER'S Society Tower Hamlets and St Hilda's East Community Centre in Bethnal Green is hosting a day for carers on Tuesday, June 10 from 11am-3pm.

Taking place at St Hilda's East Community Centre, 18 Club Row, Bethnal Green, it will include complementary therapies, blood pressure, cholesterol and diabetes checks, entertainment, stalls and lunch.

For more information call 7739 8066 or 8121 5626.

Tours of mosque

EAST London Mosque and the London Muslim Centre in Whitechapel are running drop-in tours on Wednesdays at 11.30am and Saturdays at 3pm.

Visitors can use entrances at 46 Whitechapel Road or 45 Fieldgate Street. For details call 7650 3000 or email **visits@eastlondonmosque.org.uk**

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With warmest regards
The Huggins family

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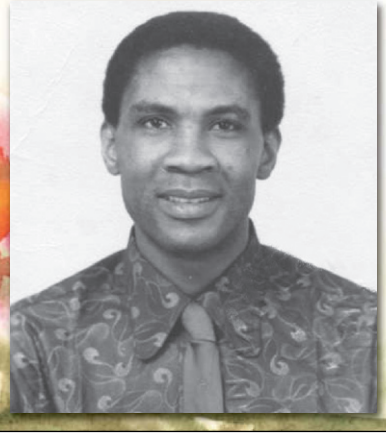

Dear John,

I love and miss you more than words
could ever say.
I think of you day and night
And say a prayer to you with many tears
You are always with me John
In my heart and mind
I shall treasure my memories of being
with you forever
No passing of time can take that away
I shall never stop loving and missing you

Rest in peace and may the love of God
be with you now and forever.

Your loving wife, Victoria. xxx

Happy Birthday Debbie

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Susan, Margaret, Sandra,
Pattie and Frankie & Arry
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Remembering Mum and Dad.

Dads' Network

Tower Hamlets

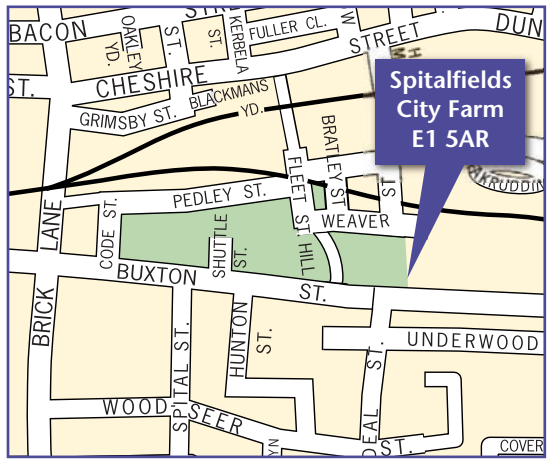
Dads' Play Day Event

Father's Day Weekend!

A free event for fathers/male carers and their children.

Saturday 14th June 2014
10.30am – 1.30pm

Spitalfields City Farm, Buxton Street, Whitechapel, London E1 5AR



Tower Hamlets Dads' Network supports and encourages dads and male carers to strengthen relationships with their children through positive parenting and play.

This event is for LBTH residents with children up to age 13 (no lower limit).

Farm Tours | Arts & Crafts | Seed Planting | Outdoor Cooking | Other Fun Stuff! | Refreshments Available

Spitalfields City FARM

For the latest news and information on upcoming events, join the Tower Hamlets Dads' Network by emailing parenting@towerhamlets.gov.uk or calling the Family Information Service on 020 7364 6495.

This event is organised by the Tower Hamlets Parental Engagement Team.

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DIABETES WEEK 2014 8–14 JUNE i CAN...

The importance of insulin

Diabetes is a condition where there is too much glucose in the blood. This is because the individual's pancreas produces no insulin, or insufficient to help glucose enter their body's cells.

WWW.DIABETES.ORG.UK

At greater risk

People of south Asian or Afro-Caribbean origin are at greater risk of developing type 2 diabetes.

Drop in for a diabetes check

Get tested or learn how to better manage condition

BY ANNA WILSON

DROP-IN sessions are being held during Diabetes Week where residents can have a check-up to find out if they have the condition or receive advice about how to manage it.

Some 14,000 people in Tower Hamlets have type 2 diabetes with another 2,000 estimated to be unaware they have the condition.

Symptoms include feeling thirsty, increased appetite, urinating frequently, feeling tired and weight loss.

If poorly managed, diabetes can lead to heart disease, stroke, blindness, kidney failure and amputation of the lower limbs. Dr Somen Banerjee, Tower Hamlets director of public health, said: "Eating a balanced diet and regular exercise can help prevent the onset of type 2 diabetes and prevent complications if you are living with diabetes. If you think you may have the condition or that you may be at risk of developing it, talk to your GP as soon as possible."

> "A balanced diet and exercise can help prevent the onset of type 2 diabetes."
> Dr Somen Banerjee

The following drop-in sessions are being held on:

Mon, Jun 9, 11am-3pm – Idea Store Whitechapel, 321 Whitechapel Road, E1; Diabetes Care Centre, 2nd Floor, Mile End Hospital, Bancroft Road, E1

Tues, Jun 10, 10am-1pm – Idea Store Watney Market, Commercial Road E1

Weds, Jun 11, 9am-4pm – Idea Store Chrisp Street, 1 Vesey Path, East India Dock Road, E14; Cubbitt Town Library, Strattondale Street, E14

Thurs, Jun 12, 9am-4pm – Idea Store Bow, 1 Gladstone Place, Roman Road, E3

Fri, Jun 13, 12-3pm – Idea Store Whitechapel.

With Ramadan approaching at the end of the month, Barts Health Diabetes Care Centre is planning a series of advice sessions to encourage safe fasting.

They will be led by a diabetes specialist nurse and education worker, offering advice in both Bengali and English.

Sessions will be held on the following dates:

Tues, Jun 10, 2-4pm – Barkantine Health Centre, 121 Westferry Road, E14

Fri, Jun 13, 10am-2pm – Blithehale Medical Centre, 22 Dunbridge Street, E2

Tues, Jun 17, 10am-12 noon – Diabetes Care Centre, 2nd Floor, Mile End Hospital

Fri, Jun 20, 2-4pm – Island Health, 145 East Ferry Road, E14.

For more details call the Diabetes Care Centre on 8223 8836.

Specialist help is at hand

DIABETES specialist nurses Noeleen Hilton and Jacqui Chapman (pictured above) from East London NHS Foundation Trust will be offering health advice to mental health patients with diabetes.

Tips to all diabetics include:

- **Try to eat a balanced diet that is low in fat, sugar and salt and high in fibre. Aim to eat at least five portions of fruit and vegetables each day.**
- **Be physically active. Thirty minutes of moderate physical activity a day will help to reduce body weight, blood sugar levels and blood fat levels.**
- **Try to drink sensibly – alcohol is high in calories and can impact on blood sugar levels.**

The recommended daily limit for women is 2-3 units and for men it is 3-4 units.

Noeleen said: "People with mental health problems often have difficulty managing their diabetes as well as everything else. They may not be aware of symptoms, ignore them or just neglect themselves."

MORE than 30,000 people flocked to Spitalfields during Graduate Fashion Week, at Old Truman Brewery from May 31 until June 2.
The week of pop-up shows, live photoshoots and interactive talks culminated with a grand finale, featuring an international catwalk competition, best of Graduate Fashion Week show and an awards show.

Shoot from the lip at Roman rhyming slang fund-raiser

EAST Enders will be able to demonstrate their knowledge of rhyming slang at Roman Road Market on Saturday, June 14.

Photographer Anne Clements has devised a quiz from a series of cryptic photographic images she has created.

Those who know their Cockney lingo are being invited to deliver a 60-second rhyming slang monologue and to take part in the quiz with the chance to win a prize.

The event is in aid of the Whitechapel Mission, which works with homeless people, and takes place outside Idea Store Bow, Gladstone Place from 2-3pm.

Members of the Bow Geezers and Cockney Rhyming Slang Appreciation will be attending.

News in brief

Man dies in fall

POLICE investigating the death of a man who fell from a second-storey roof are treating the incident as non-suspicious.

Officers were called to Whitechapel Road at about 9.20am on Saturday, May 31.

A 31-year-old man was found with serious injuries and died at the scene. His next of kin have been informed.

Museum opens

RESIDENTS have the rare chance to visit the Museum of Immigration in Spitalfields when it opens its doors to mark Refugee Week.

The museum, in a 1719 Huguenot merchant's home at 19 Princelet Street, opens for just a few days a year because of a shortage of funds.

It will be open on Sundays, June 15 and 22 from 2-4pm. Entry is free.

Carers' cream tea

TUCK into a cream tea to celebrate Carers Week, from 2-4pm this Friday, June 13.

There will entertainment provided by Band for Life at the event hosted by the Zacchaeus Project, at the Walter Newby Centre, Bethnal Green Methodist Church, Approach Road, E2.

Entry costs £3.

Table-top sale

A TABLE-TOP sale is being held on Saturday, June 14 from 12-6pm at Sheridan House, Zealand Road, Bow in aid of St Joseph's Hospice in Hackney.

Tables are available to rent for £10. Call 07780 710905.

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Ready, steady, cook

Jack Petchey Award winner Shahina Akter (left) opens the new kitchen at the ELT Youth Project community centre in Mile End during an event celebrating their activities over the past year.

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Volunteer for garden contest

VOLUNTEERS are being sought by a charity, which organises gardening competitions for school children.

The London Children's Flower Society has been running gardening contests for more than 65 years and is looking for helpers in Tower Hamlets to visit schools this summer to judge the plants grown by the children.

Volunteers would be required to visit a school in early July. The judging usually takes between one to two hours and the person would be supplied with judging instructions plus certificates and stickers to award to the participating children.

In last year's competition, Marner Primary School in Bromley-by-Bow was awarded the Rosemary Ann Challenge Cup for their gardening efforts.

To volunteer or for more information, call Hazel Thompson on 01689 821288 or email **info.lcfs@btconnect.com**

Youth project celebrates a year of achievements

Henry Olonga presents a certificate to Megan Reeves

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

A YOUTH project which runs activities for more than 70 young people in Mile End celebrated the past year's achievements.

Young people and youth workers at ELT Youth Project spoke about their experiences at the club and showed community leaders, funders and parents photos of their activities.

Highlights included the club's first summer residential for young people from the Bede Estate, an adventure camp in the Peak District and a 12-week dance project.

Henry Olonga, a singer and former Zimbabwe international cricketer, presented certificates for achievements in dry-slope skiing, cooking, Zumba and outdoor education courses.

Schenell Stephens from the Jack Petchey Foundation presented an award to Abdul Samad, in recognition of his three years' voluntary work with the club.

The celebration also featured the opening of a new kitchen, which has been installed in the club's community centre.

Over the past year ELT Youth Project has received funding from the council, BBC Children in Need, East End Homes, the Jack Petchey Foundation. and 95.8 Capital FM.

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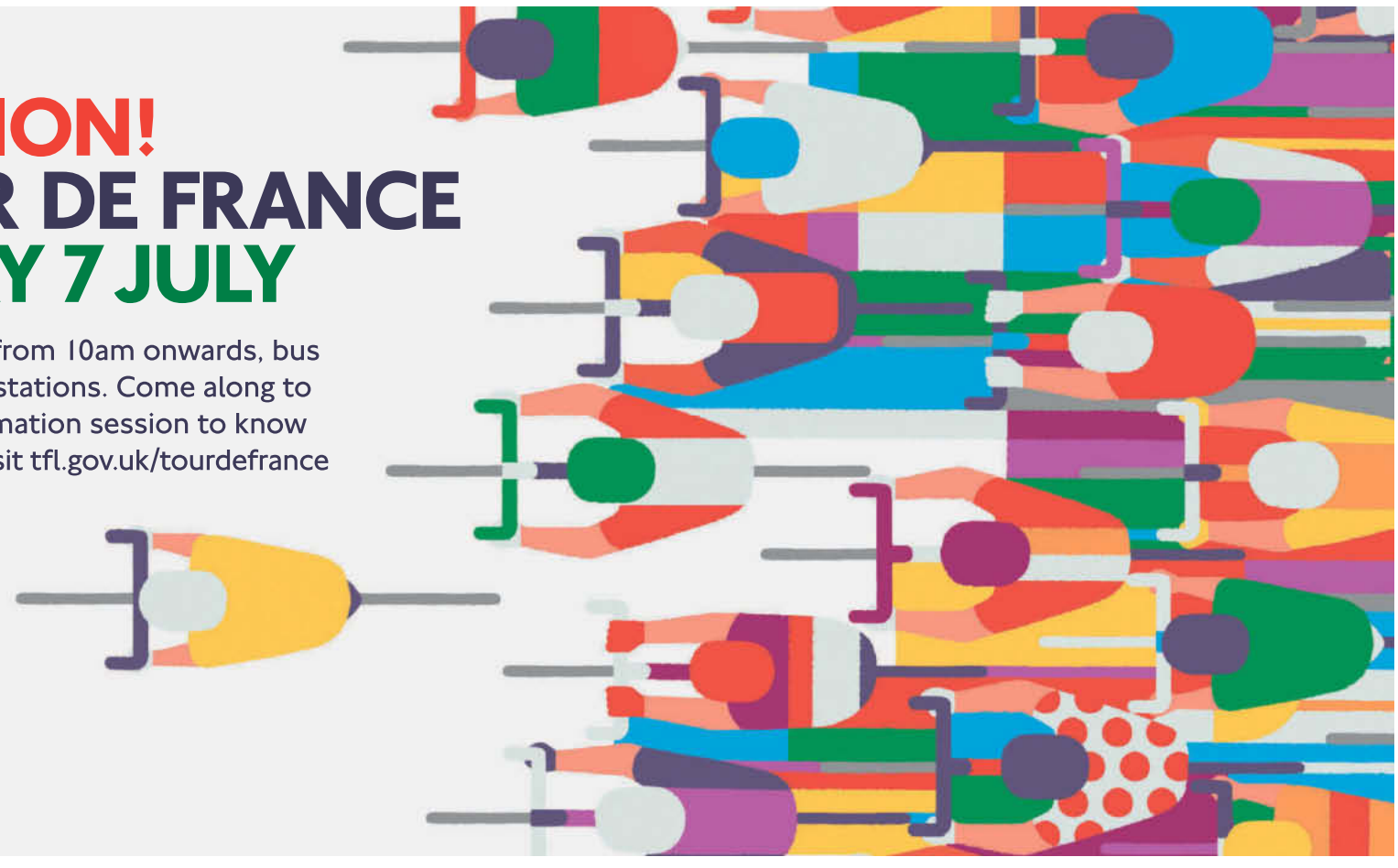

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Top award for charity

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

A STEPNEY charity has won the prestigious Queens Award for Voluntary Service – the highest award that can be made to a voluntary group.

Positive East won the award in recognition of its work helping people with HIV overcome difficulties they face living with the virus, and enabling them to get on with their lives.

Representatives from the charity were invited to Buckingham Palace to accept the award at a garden party attended by the Queen.

"We are absolutely thrilled to receive the award and we accept it on behalf of all the volunteers that help us do our work," said director Mark Santos.

"People with HIV are still very often isolated and have low levels of confidence. Our volunteer project not only gets them out of the house and in contact with other people, but we also actively look to improve their skills so they are in a better position to get back to work."

Volunteer Yan Mosaheb (left), Paul Fleming, director of fundraising and marketing, Rebecca Byekwaso, volunteering co-ordinator, and director Mark Santos

Volunteers at Positive East include receptionists, administrators, support workers, chefs, fundraisers, advice workers and counsellors.

With more people living with HIV than ever before in Tower Hamlets, the demand for help and support from the charity has never been higher.

Charles, 49, sought help from Positive East in 2009. He was isolated and his physical health was poor. He joined the support groups Positive East runs for gay men as well as the gym in the building in Stepney Green.

As he grew emotionally and physically stronger, he was encouraged to volunteer on the reception desk. With further help and support from the charity's careers service, he began to look for paid employment and in 2012 got a job in the retail industry where he continues to work today.

"Charles' example is just one of the very many people our volunteering project has helped. To be recognised with the highest award a voluntary group can receive in the country is amazing," Mark Santos added.

"While there is no cure for HIV, most people who are diagnosed with the condition early enough to have a normal life expectancy.

"At Positive East we believe in helping people to help themselves and reach a point where they can sustain their own independence and our volunteering project is an essential part of that journey."

For more information, go to **www.positiveeast.org.uk**

MEMBERS of the Jewish Community Centre in Stepney Green were invited for lunch and cheesecake – the traditional food for the Jewish Festival of Shavuot, which was celebrated last week. Shavuot marks the time that the Jews were given the sacred scriptures (Torah) on Mount Sinai and is considered a highly important historical event.
(Above) Hazel Cohen (left) and Pearl Senator, volunteers at the centre, at the Shavuot lunch sponsored by Clifford Chance and the Canary Wharf Group, at the Clifford Chance offices.

News in brief

Chickens in Bow

AN exhibition raising awareness of the way we consume food, images and cultural goods has opened at a gallery in Bow.

Chicken Show features selected works by contemporary artists Thomas Mailaender, Tom Esam and Josh Whitaker.

It runs until Saturday, July 5 at the gallery at 69 Roman Road and is open Wednesday to Saturday, 11am-7pm, or by appointment. Visit **www.romanroad.com/chicken-show**

Post office revamp

PHILPOT Street post office in Whitechapel will close for refurbishment work on Wednesday, June 25 and is due to re-open at 1pm on Monday, July 14.

For any queries, email **comments@postoffice.co.uk** or call 08457 223355.

Support for carers

CARERS are invited to visit St Joseph's Hospice for support, advice and well-being activities during Carers Week this week.

Events include a free colour therapy workshop on Wednesday, June 11 and a wellness day on Friday, June 13, with a range of free workshops including laughter yoga, relaxation and meditation, and nutrition advice.

Spokeswoman Charlotte Griffin said: "Our quest this Carers Week is not only to promote the support and services available from St Joseph's Hospice to carers, but to encourage carers to find the time to focus on themselves and their wellbeing."

For more information call 8525 3139 or email **c.griffin@stjh.org.uk**

The hospice is on the border of Cambridge Heath Road in Mare Street, Hackney.

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Getting your house in order

Financially Inclusive Tower Hamlets Partnership would love to hear how you get on with ticking off your money spring cleaning list. Tweet Sian your progress at @sianwilliams41 or email

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Useful information

Time to get your finances in order?

News from Financially Inclusive Tower Hamlets Partnership

LIKE most people, I usually put off dealing with forms and admin. I always worry that I will give the wrong information, or that it will take too long, and usually put it off until next week.

But next week never comes, and so I end up never quite getting around to filling in that form. It doesn't seem important at the time, but this week it hit home just how important some of those forms can be.

I'm buying a house and need to get a mortgage. I have a job, bank account and credit cards, and a good credit rating. Everything should be easy.

But four years ago I got married and changed my name on my passport and driving licence to my married name. I'm on the electoral roll in my married name as well, which lenders love as it proves you are really who you say you are.

But I never quite got around to changing my name on my bank and credit card accounts. That meant that, when the mortgage company looked me up to see if I'm a good borrower, they couldn't identify me properly.

They could see my married name was a good voter who has a passport, but no money. They could see my maiden name has enough money but doesn't exist anywhere else. It took a lot of forms, running around and explaining to persuade the mortgage company that I wasn't a fake customer trying to commit fraud!

It took a lot of time to sort it out. If I hadn't been able to convince the mortgage company that I was legitimate, it would have cost me a lot of money too.

Even if they were willing to give me a mortgage, they would have charged me even more for it as they would have worried I was a high risk customer. It's made me realise that I need to spend some time spring-cleaning my paperwork and my money. Even though it takes time now (and I always think I'm going to find it difficult and often boring), it will save me time and money in the future.

There are some important forms I've been avoiding. I've been meaning to fill in the forms for a pension for ages. All that time I've been missing out on my employer contributions.

If you have the option, have you signed up for a pension? The sooner you pay into a pension, the better off you will be when you can retire. One of my colleagues signed up for their pension last month and it didn't take any time at all. It's made me determined to sort mine out this month. When are you going to do yours?

Or, if you don't have the option for a pension, how about setting aside whatever you can in a savings account? Even a few pounds adds up over time.

Another thing I keep meaning to do is check to see if I'm on the best energy tariff. All I need to do is read the meter, then go on line to one of the websites that compare prices (see **www.moneysavingexpert.com** for a list) and put in my details. The website will tell me which energy providers can save me money.

If you think it's time that you had a money and admin spring-clean, why not set aside some time this weekend to tick just one thing off your list?

And if you find forms as stressful as I do, you can make an appointment with the FITH Money team. They can help you work through your finances and admin and save money in the process!

You can contact them at **money@toynbeehall.org.uk** for a free and independent session. You might also find our free booklet useful **www.toynbeehall.org.uk/free-resources**

Sian Williams, FITH

Chemist rota

Pharmacists in Tower Hamlets with extended opening hours.

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ABC Drug Stores, 12-14 Montague Street: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5.30pm, Sun 10am-2.30pm.
Beck & Sherman, 197 Whitechapel Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5.30pm, bank holidays 11am-1pm.
Sainsbury's, The Albion Brewery: Mon-Fri 8.30am-10pm, Sat 7.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-5pm.
Chapel, 139 Cannon Street: Mon-Fri 9am-8pm, Sat 9am-6pm.

E2

Fairdale, 360 Bethnal Green Road: Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri 9am-6.30pm, Thurs 9am-1pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.
Florida, 307 Bethnal Green Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.

E3

Bell, 534 Roman Road: Mon-Sat 7am-11pm, Sun 10am-2pm.
Forward, 648 Mile End Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun and bank holidays 10am-6pm.
Green Light, St Andrew's Health Centre, 2 Hannaford Walk: 8am-8pm, seven days a week, including bank holidays.
Lincoln, 60 St Paul's Way: Mon, Tues, Weds 8am-8pm, Thurs, Fri, 8am-8pm, Sat 9am-5pm.
Tesco, Hancock Road: Mon 8am-10.30pm, Tues-Fri 6.30am-10.30pm, Sat 6.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-4pm.

E14

Boots, Unit 15, Jubilee Place: Mon-Fri 7am-midnight, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun 12pm-6pm.
Britannia (Perimart), Asda Precinct, East Ferry Road: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm, Sun 11am-4pm, bank holidays 11am-6pm.

Doctors

Please ring your doctor's surgery for an appointment, but if it's the weekend or late at night, call 7377 7151 (only for people in Tower Hamlets who are registered with a doctor). To find a doctor, dentist or help to quit smoking call the health hotline on 7364 5016, Mon-Fri 8am-8pm and Sat 8am-4pm.

Advice

East London Parkinson's Support Group
For people with Parkinson's disease and their carers. Meets third Weds each month, 11am-12pm at John Scurr Community Centre, 1A Bekesbourne St, E14.
0844 225 3704/0808 800 0303

Family Information Service (FIS)
Information for people from birth to age 19 (or 25 for those with additional needs) including helping to find childcare, advice on tax credits and childcare vouchers.
Open Mon-Fri, 8am-6pm Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14
fis@towerhamlets.gov.uk
7364 6495

Alzheimer's Society Tower Hamlets
Advice and help for carers and people with dementia.
Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm.
Robinson Centre, Mile End Hospital, Bancroft Road, E1.
8121 5626

Tower Hamlets Advocacy Project
Independent advocates for adults with learning disabilities.
Mon-Fri, 9.30am-4.30pm.
Gladstone Place, 1 Ewart Place, E3.
7364 2550/2199

Parents Advice Centre (PAC)
Offers advice around special educational needs (SEN).
30 Greatorex Street, E1. Drop-in sessions every Tues, 9.30am-3.30pm & Fri, 9:30am-1pm.
364 6489

LinkAge Plus
An initiative of the Department for Work and Pensions. Toynbee Hall is one of five centres that coordinates services and activities provided. Mon-Fri from 9am-5pm, drop-in session for advice on benefits, pensions, employment and housing. Appointments necessary. Mon 9am-5pm, Bangladeshi group. Toynbee Hall, Commercial Street, E1
7392 2914
www.toynbeehall.org.uk

Free Advice
Benefits, housing, immigration. Bengali speakers, home visits to house-bound. Weds, 10.30am-12.30pm, Island House, Roserton Street, E14. Thurs, 1-3pm, Splash, Will Crooks Estate, Poplar High Street, E14.
7987 9379

Skillsmatch
Free advice on all aspects of employment including training, apprenticeships and job vacancies. Canary Wharf Recruitment & Training Centre, 8 Heron Quays, E14.
7364 3727 or email skillsmatch@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Tower Hamlets National Childbirth Trust
Offers support, information and friendship to parents and parents-to-be. Regular events.
07976 710964 or
towerhamletsnct@yahoo.com
www.nct.org.uk

Breastfeeding Support Centres
Mon 11am-1pm Wapping Children's Centre, 15 Chandler St, E1. Weds 12.30-2.30pm, Collingwood Children's Centre, Buckhurst St, E1. Fri 12.30-2.30pm, Overland Children's Centre, 60 Parnell Rd, E3.
Sun 2-4pm Barkantine Birth Centre, 121 Westferry Rd, E14.
3594 2591 or 07961 609 626

Families with Autism
Spark Centre, Smart Street, E2.
8981 4924
fwautism@btinternet.com

Free home fire safety advice
From the London Fire Brigade
08000 28 44 28

Careers advice

Tower Hamlets Careers Service
Careers advice for ages 13-19 (up to 25 SEN). Mon-Fri, 1pm-5pm. Appointments available.
Careers Centre, 35 Bow Road, E3.
7364 1401

TH Lifelong Learning
Mon-Thurs, 10am-4pm.
Shadwell Centre, 455 The Highway, E1.

Careers advice
Support from Civic Enterprise Clubs Co-operative. Tues & Thurs, 1-4pm & 6-9pm
Bishopsgate Institute, 230 Bishopsgate, EC2.
07432 463343

Photo order form

Copies of pictures published in East End Life taken by council photographers are available to readers. To request a copy, email **eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk** and we can send it straight away. If you do not have access to email fill in this form and send it to Photos, East End Life, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG. This service does take longer.

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A race watched the world over

The Tour de France is the world's biggest annual sporting event, covering approximately 3,500km and attracting a worldwide television audience of hundreds of millions of people each year.

TFL.GOV.UK/TOURDEFRANCE

Le Grand day out

The last time the Tour visited England was in 2007 when London hosted the the race opening – Le Grand Départ.

News

Plan your journey for Tour de France Monday

Roads will close to traffic as elite cyclists make their way to the Mall

BY SARAH MCLAUGHLIN

THERE is just a month to go until the Tour de France comes through Tower Hamlets, as part of the third stage of the race in the UK.

On Monday, July 7 some 200 elite cyclists will race from Cambridge, through Essex and into London before a spectacular finish on The Mall.

For the Tower Hamlets leg, a number of roads will be closed, and residents and businesses are being urged to plan their journeys on July 7.

Road closures will begin at 10am to ensure the safety of competitors and spectators, with roads re-opening as quickly as possible once the Tour has passed through.

Affected roads include the A1261 Aspen Way and the A1203 Limehouse Link/The Highway past Poplar, Shadwell and Wapping.

Some roads surrounding the route will also be affected and parking restrictions will apply in some areas. Vehicles will not be able to cross the route while the road closures are in place, though local access will be maintained for as long as possible.

Transport for London (TfL) anticipates that all roads will be re-opened by 6pm.

Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times and pedestrian access to properties will not be affected.

Maps showing the areas in Tower Hamlets and surrounding boroughs that will be affected by the race are available at **www.tfl.gov.uk/tourdefrance**

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "The Tour de France will be a fantastic spectacle and celebration of cycling to be enjoyed in the borough. But it will bring with it travel disruption. I urge everyone to think about their travel requirements and journeys on July 7 and plan in advance."

Tower, Southwark and Westminster bridges will be closed for much of the day but there are no planned closures on any other major river crossings.

Tubes and trains will be the best way to get around, although stations along the route are expected to be busy.

TfL writes to households and businesses

TFL is writing to residents and businesses within 400 metres of the route, informing them of road closures for July 7.

Full details of the route through the borough are at **www.tfl.gov.uk/tourdefrance**

There are also drop-in sessions organised by TfL to help residents and businesses plan ahead on:

- Thursday, June 19, 4-7pm at Lower Room, St Paul's Shadwell, 302 The Highway, E1W
- Wednesday, June 25, 11am-2pm at Docklands Sailing Centre, 235a Westferry Road, E14.

The latest travel information, routes and advice for Tower Hamlets and neighbouring boroughs can be found at **www.tfl.gov.uk/tourdefrance**

Pedalling to Paris

WHILE residents are counting down the days until they can line the route to watch the Tour de France, Todd Van Hees from Westferry is doing so for a different reason.

He will be cycling the Tour de France course for charity and has been training for the past six months, averaging a distance of about 1,000km per month.

Todd (pictured) is one of 100 fundraisers who will gather in Leeds on June 28 for the start – Le Grand Depart.

The charity event follows all 21 stages of the 2014 Tour de France route, staying seven days ahead of the professionals and finishing, 3,656km later in Paris, on July 20.

The money raised by the group will go to the William Wates Memorial Trust which helps disadvantaged young people keep away from a life of crime and violence, and fulfil their potential.

This is achieved by giving grants to charities that engage young people through sport, arts and education.

Todd plans to publish daily updates about his progress on his blog at http://tlvfitness.blogspot.co.uk

Visit www.bmycharity.com/tourdefrancetodd to donate.

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TOWER HAMLETS Community Housing THCH

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Tower Hamlets Resident Board Members x2

Following the retirement of two long-standing Board Members we are seeking two voluntary Board Members to join a dynamic, high performing housing organisation. We are particularly seeking candidates with specialist experience in housing management, finance or property development. The applicants have to live in Tower Hamlets and preference will be given to applicants who live in homes managed by THCH.

Our Board meets five times a year on a Thursday evening and in addition the successful candidates will be expected to serve on at least one of our committees.

The closing date for applications will be 12 noon on Friday 11th July 2014.

If you would like to find out more please visit our website **http://www.thch.org.uk/Vacancies/BoardVacancies** where you can download a pack, alternatively please email: **thch@thch.org.uk** or call **020 7780 3070**.

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Time: 2 – 4pm

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For more information on this event or the support we provide, contact the Targeted Youth Support team on 020 7364 5834 or email: Saddique.ahmed@towerhamlets.gov.uk

The Mile End Ecology Pavilion is off Grove Road, London E3 5BH.
Buses: D6, 425, 277, 25 and no 8, all stops are within walking distance to the venue.
Tube: Mile End underground – walk up Grove Road and past the Arts Pavilion.

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UNICEF works to end poverty plight

Millions of children work to support their families. UNICEF estimates that around 150 million youngsters aged five to 14 in developing countries are involved in child labour.

SEE WWW.UNICEF.ORG.UK

Frightening figures

22,000 child labourers are involved in workplace accidents each year, says the International Labour Organisation.

READ MORE AT WWW.STOPCHILDLABOUR.EU

Counting the cost of child labour

This Thursday is World Day Against Child Labour and the council has joined forces with unions to highlight the plight of millions of exploited children. **Susan Mulligan** reports.

Shawpon is one of an estimated 2.5 million children involved in child labour worldwide

SHAWPON doesn't have any safety tools. As a result, he is often burnt or injured and treats his wounds by buying medicine from a nearby pharmacy at his own expense.

The nine-year-old eats keema – a type of cheap snack – rather than rice because he has to work continuously.

Shawpon is just one of the 2.5 million children estimated to work in factories and industrial workshops in Bangladesh alone – and similar child labour practices abound in many other countries.

This week, Tower Hamlets Council is joining trade unions GMB and Unison to support a campaign to extend social protection and combat child labour.

To help raise awareness of the issue and its implications, they are holding an event at the Town Hall in Poplar as part of international World Day Against Child Labour on Thursday, June 12.

The focus for the campaign in Tower Hamlets will be the work being done by two organisations: UKBET (UK-Bangladesh Education Trust) and the British Bangladeshi Alliance (BBA).

> Skin and lung infections are common among child labourers... lead poisoning, gangrene and sight loss are not unusual.

UKBET is running a pilot project for 100 children who are engaged in hazardous labour – including Shawpon – by providing education, healthcare, counselling and advocacy to parents and employers who are involved with child labour.

In the Sylhet region of Bangladesh, a study by researchers at Shah Jalal University revealed that 76 per cent of working children, aged between six and 16, were employed in occupations defined by the government as 'hazardous' – jobs that put their lives and health at risk every day.

They found that skin and lung infections were common among child labourers, and that lead poisoning, gangrene and sight loss were not unusual.

Although numbers suggest that more boys than girls are involved in child labour, many of the types of work girls do are invisible – roughly 90 per cent of children in domestic labour are estimated to be girls.

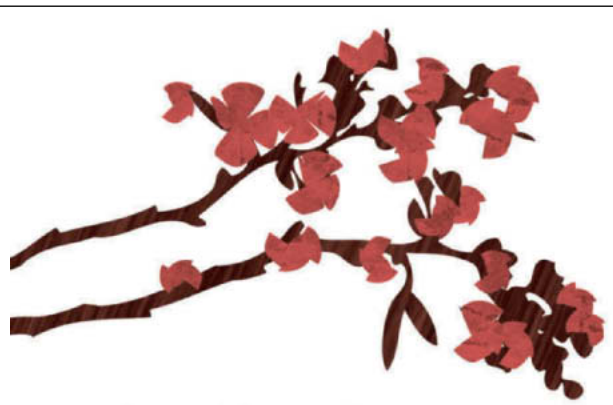
Annette Zera, chair of UKBET, said: "It is appalling that in 2014 children are daily working in dangerous situations, deprived of their health and their childhood.

"UKBET is determined that the exploitation of children will stop. Our ambition is to make Sylhet City Corporation the first part of Bangladesh where not a single child works in a hazardous occupation.

"We need the help of people in the UK. Together we can abolish hazardous child labour."

To support UKBET's work you can donate at **justgiving/ukbet.org**

UKBET works to end the exploitation of children in factories and industrial workshops



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LIVING WITH AUTISM UNLOCKING POTENTIAL

Times are a changin'

Times have changed, and so has the area. Would Orwell roll over in his grave? Let's just say he wouldn't be thrilled.

New dish on soup kitchen menu

The Brune Street Soup Kitchen for the Jewish Poor was opened 1902 and provided nourishment for the Jewish community of Spitalfields. The establishment is now expensive flats.

Tower House, once a "Monster Doss House", where flats now go for a million a pop

George Orwell spent a few months early in his literary career living rough in the East End. Sixty-five years after the publication of his masterpiece 1984, **Richard Simpson** re-visits the streets that so influenced his writing to see what – if anything – has changed.

Orwell's East End: from down & out to 'des res'

IN the not so distant past, the East End was a place to be forgotten, an area readily associated with disease, overcrowding, alcoholism and crime.

Either you had the misfortune of living in one of the area's slums or you simply stayed clear.

Or, if you were George Orwell, you quit your steady well-paid job and hit the streets. In 1927, after five years serving the Empire as a police officer in colonial Burma, Orwell traded in his uniform for rags and spent a few months living a life of abject poverty in two of Europe's grandest capital cities.

He recounts his experience in his first novel Down and Out in Paris and London, published in 1933.

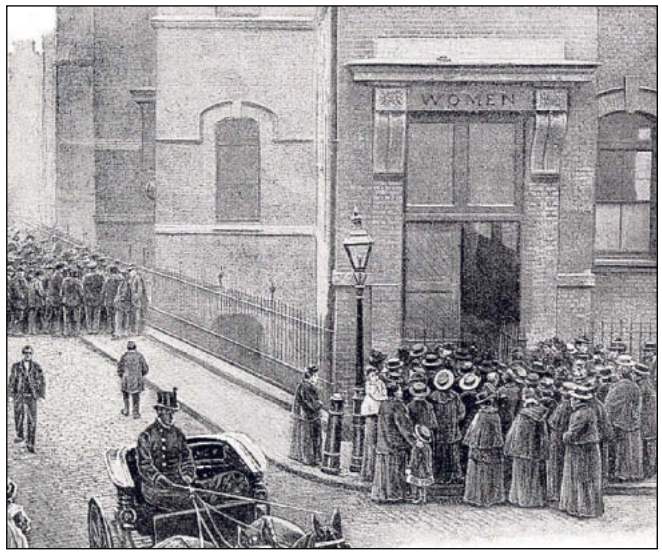
In many ways, this experience defined Orwell's writing career. The poverty which he witnessed in London's own backyard came as an eye-opener after years of service in the Indian Imperial Police. Here was Great Britain preaching enlightenment to all corners of the globe, yet in Spitalfields and Whitechapel the living conditions were as bad as in the slums of Calcutta.

The seeds had been sown. Over the following two decades Orwell would use his words to fight social injustice, and imperialist and authoritarian rule. His righteous causes would be developed in novel after novel, and ultimately culminated in the publication – 65 years ago on June 8 – of 1984.

So what has changed since the time of Orwell's writing? What has become of the East End lodging houses that played such an instrumental role in his writing career?

The simple truth is that most of the squalor he experienced no longer is. Many of the buildings, however, still stand – but do so under a very different guise.

The Providence Row Night Refuge 'for deserving Men, Women, and Children' on modern day Crispin Street used to provide accommodation for more than 400 destitute people – nowadays it's a student residence for the London School of Economics.



Providence Row Night Refuge is now student flats

The Brune Street Soup Kitchen for the Jewish Poor was opened in 1902 and, as its name suggests, used to provide nourishment for the Jewish community of Spitalfields. The establishment has now been divided into expensive flats.

Fieldgate Street's Rowton House, also erected in 1902, offered 816 beds. It is known for a fact that George Orwell stayed there, as did Soviet revolutionaries Maxim Litvinov and Joseph Stalin when they attended the London conference of the Russian Social Democratic Labour Party in 1907.

American author Jack London called it the "Monster Doss House" packed with "life that is degrading and unwholesome". Today it is known as Tower House and offers a vast array of luxury apartments, some worth more than £1 million – a far cry from the shilling Orwell had to pay for a night's rest.

These are just three examples of the many East End establishments that have gone from rags to riches in a mere half century. Back in Orwell's day these institutions existed to assist the poor, now they serve mostly the wealthy.

Far from being a criticism, this is merely an observation. Times have changed, and so has the area. Would Orwell roll over in his grave at the thought? Well, let's just say he wouldn't be thrilled. It's only fair to say the poverty he was attacking hasn't disappeared altogether – simply shifted to other areas of London.

However, let us not forget that in many ways we have people like George Orwell to thank for this progress. Jack the Ripper's infamous murders in 1888 made international news and the area saw unprecedented regeneration thereafter. Orwell's work brought East End misery back to the forefront of social agendas and ensured the regeneration triggered by the Ripper years did not stop there.

Whereas people used to avoid the area and even fear it, nowadays people of all walks of life flock here to tour the sites – a celebration of immigration, poverty and murder if you will. Thanks for helping, George.

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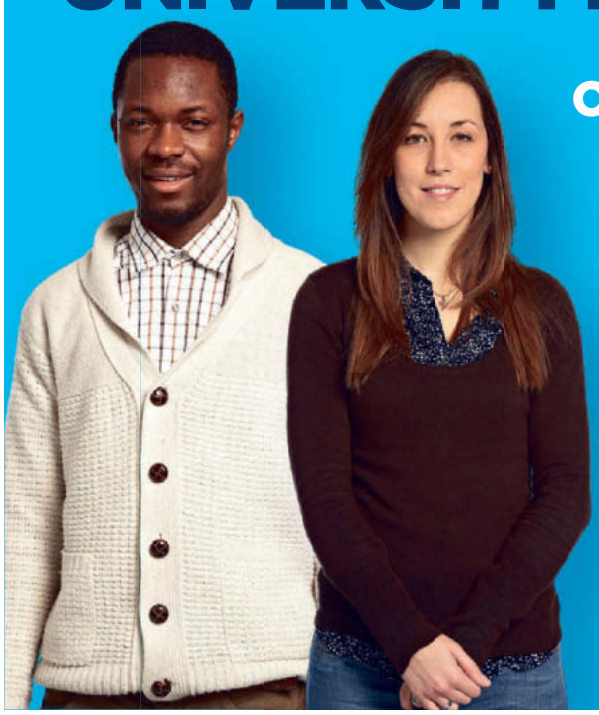

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Mum's the word for brigade fighter

Sam Lesser was one of the earliest members of the International Brigades – foreigners fighting for the Republic in Spain. There was just one problem – he couldn't bring himself to tell his mum.

SEE BELOW

Got a story to tell?

If you have a tale about East End history, write to John Rennie or email him at **johnrennie@gmail.com**

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The Cockney brigadista

Anti-fascist who joined international army in Spanish Civil War

BY JOHN RENNIE

FOR as long as he lived, the scent of limes would immediately trigger memories in Sam Lesser.

The year was 1936, and the young Cockney was working as the Barcelona correspondent for the Daily Worker during the Spanish Civil War. After a particularly brutal bombardment by Italian war planes (Mussolini supporting his fascist brother-in-arms Franco), the 23-year-old Sam emerged from his office. "I shall never forget the smell when I went outside. There was one wonderful row of lime trees, a beautiful scent when they're in flower, as they were at this time. The gutter was literally flowing with blood, and the smell of the blood of these poor people was mixed with the smell of lime. I can never smell lime trees without coming back."

Seventy five years after the end of Spain's vicious internal war, the politics are still playing out. Just last week, Franco's anointed successor, King Juan Carlos, handed the throne to his son. Spain still seems a long way from the Republic Sam and his comrades were fighting for back in the 1930s. But for the young East Ender, the fight had been prompted by something far closer to home. Blackshirts marching on the streets of the Thirties East End had prompted him to throw up a promising academic career and join the ranks of the International Brigade.

The eldest of eight children, Sam was born Mannassah Lesser on March 19, 1915, in the East End. His parents knew a bit about persecution, having fled Poland with their respective families in the early years of the new century. They met each other in east London, married and opened a grocery shop. Sam, a bright student, who attended George Green's School on the Isle of Dogs, won a scholarship to University College London, where he studied Egyptology. Sam, though was already becoming politicised by what he was seeing on the streets of Whitechapel and Wapping.

In 2007, Sam acknowledged that he was already "a bit Bolshevised" by the time he arrived at UCL, and in 1935, having marched against Mosley and his Blackshirts in the East End, he joined the Communist Party of Great Britain, a decision he put down to their anti-fascist stance.

At UCL he also joined the Officers' Training Corps; he later described that decision as "something I always have greater difficulty explaining". He justified it, quoting Lenin's words. "An oppressed class which does not strive to learn to use arms, to acquire arms, only deserves to be treated like slaves".

In any event, Sam would soon be using arms for real. For in July 1936, a failed coup by the Spanish Nationalists (of whom Franco would later emerge as leader) plunged Spain into a vicious civil war.

> "I didn't know where I'd been wounded – except that when I tried to get up I couldn't. I just fell down."
>
> International Brigade member Sam Lesser

The forces of the Right were supported by arms from fascist Italy and Nazi Germany... there was no doubt which side Lesser found himself on. That same month, he was due to head to Egypt, to work on an archeological dig. Instead, at the request of Communist Party general secretary Harry Pollitt, Sam was one of the group of British volunteers heading to fight in Spain.

The little band of 30 would be among the earliest members of the International Brigades – foreigners of all nationalities fighting in support of the Republican cause. There was just one problem – he couldn't bring himself to tell his mum. So, taking his passport, Sam simply told his parents that he was heading for Egypt for his studies.

Instead, he was in Albacete, for more of that military training, and then to Madrid, to fight. There was an irony in his first sight of battle. As part of a British unit in a French battalion, he exchanged gunfire with the Nationalists – the young academic defending the faculties of philosophy and literature at the Casa del Campo university campus in the Spanish capital.

By December, there were only six of the original 30 Britons left alive. Sam, now fighting under the nom de guerre Raimundo Casado, had taken shrapnel wounds to the head. And in January 1937, in the little southern town of Lopera (near Cordoba), was hit by friendly fire from a Republican machine gun post, in the back and foot. "I didn't know where I'd been wounded – except that when I tried to get up I couldn't. I just fell down."

He returned to Albacete, recuperating with a copy of Cervantes' Don Quixote, and with work in the battalion office, and was then shipped back to London, where he readied himself to fight once more. Other postings came – to the International Brigade's Paris recruitment office, where he organised new volunteers; leading a group of female volunteers to Spain in a fishing boat.

Above: Sam Lesser as a young brigadista

(Left) A propaganda poster for the International Brigade

A medical soon confirmed that Sam's fighting days were over; the party told him he was to be posted back to Barcelona... as a radio reporter for the Republicans and a correspondent for the British communist paper the Daily Worker.

"They said I was going to be in charge of the English-language broadcasts. I said: 'I've never done anything like this before.' But they said: 'You'll find out, We'll take you to your room – there's the typewriter!' That's how I became a journalist."

In January 1939, Sam escaped Barcelona the day before Franco's troops entered the city, in a car driven by Daily Herald correspondent Scott Watson. "The road to the frontier was crammed, mostly with women, children and old men trying to get out. It was something that would later be re-enacted in towns and cities across the whole of Europe."

During World War II, he worked as a foreman in the Napier aero-engine factory in Acton. With the peace, he began a lifelong career for the Daily Worker (which became the Morning Star).

As a journalist of the Left, Sam reported on decades of the Soviet Bloc in Europe: many years later he would admit regret at his credulity and that he didn't do more to criticise the abuses and atrocities perpetrated by the Communists.

In 1952, Rudolf Slansky and 13 other Czech Communists were subjected to a show trial in Prague. Most were Jewish, some International Brigade veterans, and the majority were executed – Lesser's reports followed the party line.

In 1956, Sam was Moscow correspondent as a briefing came through on Nikita Khruschev's secret speech, denouncing Stalin's crimes. The journalist's 12-page report appeared in the London paper, reduced to a few uncritical paragraphs. Yet in the Hungarian uprising in October of that year, brutally quashed by the Soviets, Lesser's reports again toe the official line.

From 1959 to his retirement 25 years later, Lesser was London-based foreign editor of the paper. It gave him an unrivalled eye on the geo-politics of the time.

He was in Nigeria to cover the 1960 independence celebrations; interviewed Che Guevara in 1962 Havana; witnessed the horror of American bombing in 1971 North Vietnam; saw the overthrow of Salvador Allende's government in Chile in 1973. And in 1968 he again saw Soviet tanks crush a revolution, as the Prague Spring was viciously put down... this time his reports were critical of the Moscow behemoth.

In June, five years ago, things came full circle. As chairman of the International Brigade Memorial Trust, on June 9, 2009 he was one of seven Civil War veterans invited to the Spanish embassy in London. The tiny band were given Spanish citizenship, making good a promise the Republic had made 70 years before.

Rising to speak in Spanish, Sam declared: "We're a little late, but today I believe we can say that we have come home." He died on October 2, 2010.

A range of services

The council provides many services for residents and businesses. Go to the A-Z on the website at

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK

The Government is changing benefits

Prepare and act now

Get information on welfare reform

The council's benefits service can provide information about housing benefit, council tax benefit and entitlement to free school meals. It has compiled a list of helpful agencies at...

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK/WELFAREREFORM

Council information

Tower Hamlets forward planner

TOWER Hamlets Council produces a forward plan every month detailing the key decisions it will take, together with the details of the author, and consultation undertaken. It can be found in Idea Stores, libraries, One Stop Shops and council offices or at www.tower hamlets. gov.uk/data/ your-council/data/forward-plan/forward-plan.cfm

Meetings

Wednesday, June 11

7.30pm: Council

Business will include the election of a new speaker of the council for 2014/15, appointments to committees and the mayor's appointment of a deputy and cabinet members.

For more information call 7364 4204 or email johns.williams@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Tuesday, June 24

7pm: Overview & scrutiny committee

Call 7364 4333 or email angus.taylor@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Wednesday, June 25

5.30pm: Cabinet

Call 7364 4651 or email matthew.mannion@towerhamlets.gov.uk

7pm: Development committee

Call 7364 4877 or email zoe.folley@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Thursday, June 26

6.30pm: Licensing sub-committee

Call 7364 4120 or email simmi.yesmin@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Monday, June 30

5.30pm: Audit committee

Call 7364 4881 or email antonella.burgio@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Details are accurate at time of going to press. Agendas are available online a week before meetings, which are at the Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG, except Cabinet.

Tower Hamlets online

www.towerhamlets.gov.uk

For information on council services, including:

- report a missed rubbish collection
- make a doorstep recycling request
- report an abandoned vehicle
- bulk rubbish collections

Planning

E1

Warehouse Royal Mail Eastern District Post Office, 182-206 Whitechapel Road – application to display two non-illuminated advertising frames on Whitechapel Road and Cavell Street elevations.

E2

Site at former 5-10 Corbridge Crescent – application for non-material amendment following planning permission PA/13/479, dated 25.5.13. Amendments sought: update of consented floor plans to note necessary site changes due to further site investigations undertaken since consent.

13 The Oval – demolition of redundant storage building to rear of internal courtyard and erection of two inter-connected shipping containers stacked vertically over three storeys in connection with proposed use as bar at ground-floor level with welfare storage facilities at first-floor level and offices at second-floor level, all accessed via an external stairwell.

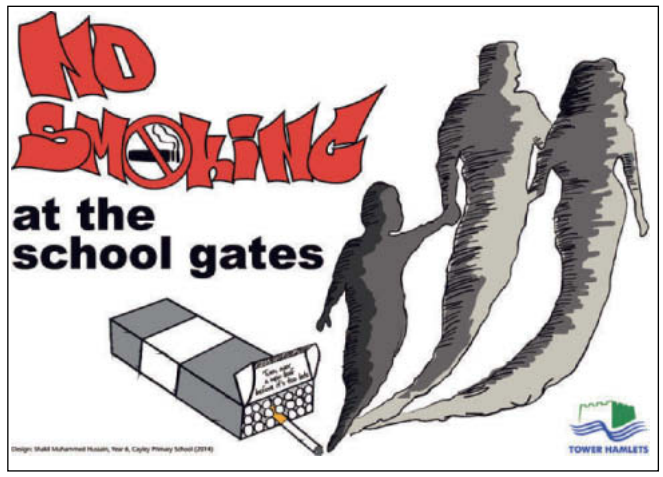
E3

41 Fairfield Road – demolition of existing ground-floor bathroom and erection of single-storey rear extension.

596 Roman Road – application for minor material amendment following grant of permission for redevelopment of site to form six residential units approved under planning permission PA/13/00085, dated 2.4.13. Proposed amendments include: alterations to proposed boundary fence, amended layout for cycle storage and alterations to upper floor window arrangements.

39 Vivian Road – extend first-floor rear extension by 1.4m for new WC and shower room, to be constructed in yellow stock brickwork with double-glazed timber sash windows and tiled pitched roof; re-model ground floor to provide additional bedroom and reconfigured kitchen and shower room.

A POSTER designed by a year 6 pupil will be displayed in primary schools across the borough to discourage parents and carers from smoking around school gates. Shakil Muhammed Hussain (pictured), from Cayley Primary School in Stepney, came up with the winning design in a borough-wide competition open to youngsters in years 5 and 6 – nine- to 11-year-olds. The judging panel selected one winner and five runners-up among 35 posters from six schools, based on creativity, innovation and research. Shakil said: "The idea behind my design was to show a group of smoke figures being sucked into a cigarette, representing how smoking puts families at risk. I couldn't believe I had won, but the designer said mine was 'one-of-a-kind'." As part of the project, children were taught about health problems caused by smoking, including passive smoking and the ill-health effects of tobacco. Tower Hamlets has a high rate of smoking, with parents and carers gathering at school gates during drop-off and pick-up times among the culprits.



Drug treatment providers

Community Drug Team

Substitute prescribing, key working, health screening & referral to residential treatment.
71 Johnson Street, E1.
7790 1344
www.lifeline.org.uk

Nafas

Support with a focus on Bangladeshi community.
The Davenant Centre, 179-181 Whitechapel Road, E1
7377 0676.

Harbour Recovery Centre

In-patient detox for 18+ males.
Riverside House, 4th Floor, 20 Garford Street, E14.
7538 9421

Young People's Service

Treatment for under-19s
Unit 26, Skyline Village, Limeharbour, E14.
3069 7878
www.lifeline.org.uk

Isis

For women aged over 18
c/o Hopetown Hostel, 60 Old Montague Street, E1.
7426 0399
www.compass-uk.org

Community Alcohol Team

Unit 22, Skylines Village Limeharbour, E14.
0800 008 7200
www.rapt.org.uk

Somali Substance Misuse

Help, advice & referral for people with khat, alcohol or drug issues. Contact Idriis Elmi. Mind in Tower Hamlets & Newham, Open House 13 Whitethorn Street, E3.
7510 1081

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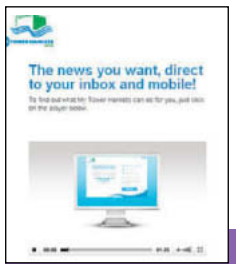

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Did you get it?

Last week's photo was of an office block at Canary Wharf.

Council information

Town Hall

Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, E14 2BG.
7364 5000

Hotline numbers

Housing benefits – 7364 5001
Council tax – 7364 5002
Parking services – 7364 5003
Streetline – 7364 5004
Adult social care – 7364 5005
Children's services – 7364 5006
Pest and noise nuisance – 7364 5007
Environmental health, trading standards & licensing – 7364 5008
Planning & development – 7364 5009
Business rates – 7364 5010
Recruitment line – 7364 5011
Electoral services – 7364 0872
Tower Hamlets Homes – 7364 5015
Healthline – 7364 5016

General enquiries

For other council enquiries call 7364 5020.

Useful housing numbers

Housing repairs – 0800 376 1637
Tenancy support – 7364 5544
Housing advice (E14) – 7364 7507
Housing advice (E1, E2 or E3) – 7364 3558
Homeless service – 7364 7474
Choice-based lettings – 7364 0244
Homeseekers – 0845 270 2400

Switchboard

If you know the name of the person or department you need to contact, call the switchboard on 7364 5000.

Do you know where to find this unusual feature of the borough? Our popular oddities picture poser gives readers the chance to keep their eyes peeled to see if they can spot where our photographers took the pictures. If you have photos of your own you would like to see published in East End Life, email them to eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk or send them to Photo Poser, East End Life, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG. They need to be high resolution, at least 1MB and 300 dpi.

Report it!

To report an incident, use these 24-hour freephone numbers:
Non-emergency crimes – 101
Textphone – 18001 101

If a crime is in progress, there is an emergency or if anyone is in immediate danger dial 999.

The council's domestic violence team can provide information, signposting and referrals to local services. Bengali speakers available 0800 279 5434 (office hours)

24-hour domestic violence national helpline
0808 2000 247

Haven Whitechapel (sexual assault referral centre)
7247 4787

Karma Nirvana (Honour Network Helpline)
0800 5999 247

Broken Rainbow (LGBT domestic violence)
0845 260 4460

Black Women's Health & Family Support
8980 3503

Rights of Women (legal advice)
7251 6577

Victim Support Line
0845 30 30 900

Victim Support Tower Hamlets
8555 8254

NSPCC Child Protection Helpline
0800 800 5000

Childline
0800 1111

Shelterline
0808 800 4444

Respect (for perpetrators)
0845 122 8609

Reunite (advice about child abduction)
0116 2556 234

Men's Advice Helpline
0808 8010 327

Samaritans
08457 909090

Tower Hamlets Mediation Service offers confidential and impartial advice with neighbour conflict
Free service for council tenants and leaseholders. 7702 8305

Trading standards
Consumer Direct: 08454 040506

Walk-in services

One Stop Shops

Bethnal Green – 1 Rushmead, off Bethnal Green Road, E2
Bow & North Poplar – John Onslow House, 1 Ewart Place, E3
South Poplar – 15 Market Square, Chrisp Street, E14
Stepney& Wapping – Idea Store Watney Market, 260 Commercial Road, E1.
Open Mon-Fri, 9am, doors close at 4.30pm. Sat, 9am, doors close 12.30pm at Rushmead and Idea Store Watney Market only.

Idea Stores

Bow – Gladstone Place, E3.
Canary Wharf – Churchill Place, Canary Wharf, E14.
Chrisp Street – Vesey Path, E14.
Whitechapel – 321 Whitechapel Road, E1. 7364 4332
Watney Market – Commercial E1. 7364 4332
All open: Mon to Thurs, 9am-9pm; Fri, 9am-6pm; Sat, 9am-5pm. Sundays – Bow and Chrisp Street open, 10am-4pm; Whitechapel, 11am-5pm; and Canary Wharf, 12-6pm.

Libraries

Bethnal Green – Cambridge Heath Road, E2. 8980 3902
Cubitt Town – Strattondale Street, E14. 7987 3152
All open: Mon, Tues, Weds & Fri, 10am-6pm; Thurs, 10am-8pm; Sat, 9am-5pm.
Local History Library and Archives – 277 Bancroft Road, E1. Open Tues, 10am-5pm; Weds, 9am-5pm; Thurs, 9am-8pm; Sat (1st & 3rd of the month), 9am-5pm. 7364 1290; email localhistory@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Isku soo dhawaashada

War iyo wacaal waxaad haysaan u soo dir boga isku soo dhaweynta bulshada ee East End Life.

7364 4944

ইউকেবিইটি'র শিশু শ্রম বিরোধী কার্যক্রমে কাউন্সিলের সমর্থন

শিশু শ্রম এমন একটি বিষয় যা সকলের মনকে আলোড়িত করলেও শিশু শ্রম বন্ধ করার ব্যাপারে কার্যকর উদ্যোগ খুব কমই দেখা যায়। তাই সারা বিশ্বে শিশু শ্রম বন্ধের জন্যে ইউনিসেফ বা আইএলও এর মত সংগঠন কাজ করে যাচ্ছে। এর সাথে সংগতি রেখে ইউকে-বাংলাদেশ এডুকেশন ট্রাস্ট সিলেটে শুরু করেছে একটি পাইলট প্রকল্প।

TOWN HALL EVENT SUPPORTS CHILD LABOUR CAMPAIGN

Harmony

Ilaalada haweenka iyo hablaha dhiban

Borough seeks champions to combat domestic violence

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Kawnsulku muddy dhawrsano ah samafalayaal ka hortaga nacaybka, iyada oo guulihii laga soo hooyey laga duulayo ayaa loo tababarayaa samafalayaal kale, kuwaas ka hortagay dilka haweenka loo geysta gudaha guriga iyo meelaha shaqadaba.

Samafalayaashu waxaa loo tababarayaa in ay aqiinsadaan xad gudubka, in ay gartaan halka la gudbinayo dhibanaha si uu kaalmi u helo iyo in la fahamo raadkuu haweenka ku yeelanayo xadgudubku.

Taakulayn iyo taageeraba way helayaan, waxaanay isku imman doonaan sedexdii biloodba mar, si ay tababarkoodii u ssii siyaasadaan, xidhiidhka iyo wakaaladaha kale ee taageerbada loo jooteeyo.

Ciddii danaynaysaa in samafale noqoto, waa in ay Tawn Hoolka qolka 701, Talaada, Juun 25 laga bilaabo 10am-12 duhurnimo, si macluumaad buuxa u hesho.

Meeyar Lutfur Rahman, ayaa yidhi: "Kawnsulka iyo bartinarshibkiisuba waxay mudnaanta koowaad siiyeen wax ka qabashada fadqalalad qoysaska. Waxaan aad ugu faraxsanahay in aanu bilawnay mashruuc cusub oo looga talagalay wax ka qabashada xud gudubyada haweenka lagu sameeyo."

Faahfaahin dheeraad ah, email u dir **fiona.dwyer@towerhamlets.gov.uk**

Child labourer Shawpon works 16 hours a day for 77 pence a week

ইউকেবিইটি'র শিশু শ্রম বিরোধী কার্যক্রমে কাউন্সিলের সমর্থন

Council supports campaign to combat child labour – page 11

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শিশু শ্রম বন্ধের জন্যে সামাজিক প্রতিরোধ গড়ে তোলার আন্দোলনকে পেশাজীবীদের সংগঠন জিএমবি ও ইউনিসন এর সাথে মিলে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল সর্বোত সমর্থন দিয়ে যাবে।

'ওয়ার্ল্ড ডে এগেইনস্ট চাইল্ড লেবার' অর্থাৎ শিশু শ্রম বিরোধী আন্তর্জাতিক দিবস উপলক্ষে আগামী ১২ই জুন টাউন হলে এক অনুষ্ঠানের আয়োজন করা হয়েছে।

কাউন্সিল ও শ্রমিক ইউনিয়নগুলো শিশু শ্রমের কুফল ও তাদের পরবর্তী জীবনের এর প্রভাব এবং এর ফলে দারিদ্রতার ধারা অব্যাহত থাকা, জাতীয় অর্থনীতিকে খাটো করা, মিলেনিয়ামের লক্ষ্য অর্জনের দিকে এগিয়ে যাওয়াকে কিভাবে তা বাধা গ্রস্ত করে, সে সম্পর্কে সচেতনতা সৃষ্ঠির লক্ষ্যে আন্দোলন চালিয়ে যাবার প্রত্যয় ঘোষনা করেছে।

সারা বিশ্বে শিশুদের কল্যানে নিয়োজিত জাতিসংঘ সংস্থা ইউনিসেফ জানিয়েছে, শিশুশ্রম তাদের মানসিক ও শারিরীক বিকাশে বাধার সৃষ্ঠি করে এবং শিক্ষার পথ রুদ্ধ করে দেয়।

আন্তর্জাতিক বেসরকারি সংস্থা ইউকে - বাংলাদেশ এডুকেশন ট্রাস্ট এবং বৃটিশ বাংলাদেশি এ্যালায়েন্স (বিবিএ) এর কার্যক্রমের উপর টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস দৃষ্টিপাত করবে।

ইউকে-বাংলাদেশ এডুকেশন ট্রাস্ট সিলেটে এক শত কর্মজীবি শিশুর উপর একটি পাইলট প্রজেক্ট শুরু করেছে। এই প্রজেক্টের লক্ষ্য হল, নিয়োগদাতা ও সংশ্লিষ্ট অভিভাবকদের সাথে নিয়েই বিপদজনক কাজে নিয়োজিত ১০০ জন শিশুকে উদ্ধার করে তাদের শিক্ষা, স্বাস্থ্য সেবা, কাউন্সেলিং ও পরামর্শ প্রদান করা।

২০১৩ সালে বাংলাদেশ সরকারের করা এক জরীপে দেখা গেছে, ২ দশমিক ৫ মিলিয়ন শিশু ছোট বড় শিল্প কারখানায় শ্রম দিয়ে যাচ্ছে। সিলেটের শাহজালাল ইউনিভার্সিটির করা আরেকটি জরীপে দেখা গেছে, যেসকল কাজকে সরকার বিপদজনক শিশুশ্রম হিসাবে চিহ্নিত করেছে, এবং যে শ্রম শিশুদের জীবন ও স্বাস্থ্যের জন্যে ঝুঁকি স্বরুপ, তেমন কাজে নিয়োজিতদের শতকরা ৭৬ ভাগ ৬-১৬ বছর বয়স্ক শিশু।

ফ্যাক্টরি ও শিল্প প্রতিষ্ঠানে কাজ করার ফলে শিশুরা চর্মরোগ এবং শ্বাসযন্ত্রে রোগে আক্রান্ত হয়ে থাকে বলে জরীপে ধরা পড়েছে। এ ছাড়াও এর ফলে বিষক্রিয়া, মারাত্নক ঘা বা অন্ধত্ব আক্রান্ত হতে পারে শিশুরা।

বিশ্বব্যাপি লক্ষ লক্ষ শিশু তাদের পরিবারকে আর্থিক সহযোগিতা করার জন্যে শিশু শ্রমে বাধ্য হলেও তা শোষনমুলক বা ক্ষতিকর নয়। যাইহোক, ইউনিসেফের হিসাবে দেখা গেছে উন্নয়নগামি দেশে ৫-১৬ বছর বয়স্ক ১৫০ মিলিয়ন শিশু শিশু শ্রমে জড়িত রয়েছে।

শিশুশ্রমে মেয়েদের চাইতে ছেলেরা এগিয়ে রয়েছে, তবে মেয়েরা যে কাজ করে তা দৃশ্যমান নয়।

শিশু শ্রম বন্ধের জন্যে কাজ করার ফলে এর সংখ্যা কিছুটা হ্রাস পেলেও ইন্টারন্যাশনেল লেবার ওর্গেনাইজেশনের বেঁধে দেয়া ২০১৬ সালে শিশু শ্রম বিলোপ হয়ে যাবে এমনটা সম্ভব নয় বলে জানানো হয়েছে।

ইউকে-বাংলাদেশ এডুকেশন ট্রাস্টের চেয়ারপার্সন এনেট জেরা বলেন, "এটা অত্যন্ত দুঃখজনক যে, ২০১৪ সালে এসেও আমরা দেখতে পাচ্ছি যে শিশুরা বিপদজনক কর্মে লিপ্ত আছে যা তাদের জীবনের জন্যে বা স্বাস্থ্যের জনে ঝুঁকিপুর্ন। শিশুশ্রম বন্ধে ইউকে-বাংলাদেশ এডুকেশন ট্রাস্ট কাজ করে যেতে বদ্ধপরিকর। সিলেট সিটি কর্পোরেশনকে আমরা উদহারণ হিসেবে নিয়েছি, যাতে এখানে কোন শিশু বিপদজনক কাজে নিয়োজিত না হয়। আমরা অভিভাবক, নিয়োগ দাতা এবং স্থানীয় সংস্থা গুলোর সাথে কাজ করে অগ্রগতি লাভ করছি। শিশু শ্রম বন্ধে কাজ করার জন্য আমরা যুক্তরাজ্যে বসবাসকারী সকলকে আহ্বান জানাচ্ছি।"

স্বপনের কথাঃ

আমরা এখানে সিলেট শহরের ৯ বছরের একটি শিশু শ্রমিকের কাহিনী তুলে ধরছি। তার নাম স্বপন। উপরের ছবির এই শিশুটি প্রতিদিন একটি রঙের কারখানায় ১৬ ঘন্টা কাজ করে থাকে। তার কাজে কোন নিরাপত্তা নেই। অনেক সময় সে কাজ করতে গিয়ে আঘাত পেয়ে থাকে এবং স্থানীয় ফার্মেসী থেকে ঔষধ কিনে নিয়ে আসে নিজের খরচে।

সব সময় কাজে ব্যস্ত থাকার কারনে সে ভাত খেতে পারে না। এর পরিবর্তে খুব সস্তার নাস্তা খেয়ে থাকে। স্থানীয় রেস্টুরেন্ট থেকে পানি পান করলেও সে জানে না এই পানি কোথা থেকে আনা হয়। প্রতি দিন সে সুরমা নদীতে গোসল করে। খাবার পানি বা গোসল করার পানিও বিশুদ্ধ নয়। ইউকে-বাংলাদেশ এডুকেশন ট্রাস্ট স্বপনকে কাজের নিরাপত্তা নেয়া ও স্বাস্থ্য সম্পর্কে সচেতনতামূলক পরামর্শ প্রদান করে যাচ্ছে যাতে সে শিশু শ্রম থেকে বাইরে আসতে পারে। এভাবেই কাজ করে যাচ্ছে ইউকে-বাংলাদেশ এডুকেশন ট্রাস্ট।

এই সংগঠন সম্পর্কে আরো তথ্য জানতে চাইলে ইউকেবিইটি'র ওয়েবসাইট **www.ukbet-bd.org** ভিজিট করতে বলা হয়েছে।

Celebrating the work of children's centre volunteers

SAMAFALAYAASHA xarumaha carruurta ayaa ayaa todobaadkii dabaaldegooda, ayaa lagu soo bandhigay hawlkarnimadii ay muujiyeen. Munaasabada oo soo qaban qaabiyey kawnsulku, waxaa qofkasta lagu guddoonsiiyey shahaado sharaf. In ka badan 160 samafale iyo forumyada waalidiinta ayaa ka hawlgala xarumaha carruurta ee Tower Hamlets.

Guryo is dhaafsashada

Housing exchange event – page 25

TOWER Hamlets Homes ayaa u qabanaysa munaasabad dadka guryaha kawnsuka ku jira kuwa ururada guryaha ku jira ee danaynaya in guriga loo bedelo ijaartayaasha.

Guryo is dhaafsashadu, waa hab kale oo ijaartayaasha guryaha kawnsulka amma laandhiska diiwaangashan, uu qof waliba guri ku haboon baahidiisa gaar ka ah.

Munaasabadan waxaa la qabanayaa maalinta Arbacda, Juun 25 laga bilaabo 10am ilaa 4ta galabnimo. Madasha lagu qabanayaa waa Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, Bethnal Green.

Waxay ka mid tahay munaasabado usdaba jog ah oo laandloordhisku u qabanayaan dadka deegaanka si fursad loo siiyo oo looga dhaadhiciyo, looguna dhiirigeliyo guryo is dhaafsashada. Waxaa goob jog ahaan doona shaqaale dadka siin doona talooyiiyo macluumaad.

Munaasabadii I danbeysey ee la qabtay, waxaa kafaala qaaday East End Homes-ka Southern Grove. Waxaa ka soo qaybgalay 175 deganayaasha ah

Labada ugu waaweyn ee guryo isdhaafsiga HomeSwapper and House Exchange – ayaa iyaguna goob jog ahaa, araaji cusubna ka buuxiyey qaar ka mid ah dadweynihii.

Arrimahan guryaha oo sii adkaanaya daraadeed kawnsulka iyo bartinershibkiisuba waxay ku dadaalayaan in ay dadweynaha la socodsiiyaan xulashooyinka u banana oo dhan.

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সদ্য সমাপ্ত নির্বাচ সম্পর্কে রিটার্নীং অফিসার, জন উইলিয়ামস্ এক বিবৃতিতে বলেছেন, "নির্বাচনে আমাদের লকাল প্রটোকল অনুযায়ি প্রাপ্ত সকল অভিযোগের প্রেক্ষিতে দ্রুত সাড়া দিতে এবং প্রয়োজন অনুযায়ি যে কোন ইস্যূ পূর্ণাঙ্গ তদন্ত করতে আমরা পুলিশের সাথে অত্যন্ত ঘনিষ্ঠভাবে কাজ করে যাচ্ছি। ২২ মে অনুষ্ঠিত বারার নির্বাচনগুলো নিয়ে প্রাপ্ত অভিযোগ পুলিশের পূর্ণাঙ্গ তদন্তকে আমরা স্বাগত জানাই। আমরা লক্ষ্য করেছি যে, পুলিশের কাছে পাঠানো ৮৪টি অভিযোগের মধ্যে মাত্র ৮টি অভিযোগের তদন্ত উপযোগী বলে বিবেচিত হয়েছে।

রিটার্নীং অফিসার বলেন, যে ৮টি অভিযোগের তদন্ত চলছে, তার মধ্যে ১টি হচ্ছে নির্বাচনী পুস্তিকায় সঠিক তথ্য দিতে ব্যর্থ হওয়া, আরেকটি হচ্ছে প্রার্থী সম্পর্কে ভূয়া বিবৃতি প্রদান, চারটি অভিযোগ হলো নমিনেশন পেপারে অসত্য ডিক্লারেশন প্রদান এবং ২টি অভিযোগ পোস্টাল ভোট সংক্রান্ত। বিবৃতিতে তিনি বলেন, পৃথক-ভাবে অনেকগুলো অভিযোগ খতিয়ে দেখা হচ্ছে, যা ফৌজদারি অপরাধের মধ্যে না পড়লেও প্রটোকলের শর্তাদি ভঙ্গের সাথে সংশ্লিষ্ট হতে পারে। উদ্বিগ্ন হওয়ার মতো কিছু পাওয়া গেলে, ব্ল্যাকওয়াল এন্ড কুবিট টাউন ওয়ার্ডের নির্বাচন অনুষ্ঠানের আগেই ইলেকশন এজেন্ট এবং প্রার্থীদের সাথে তা নিয়ে আলোচনা করা হবে।

Youngstars with a member of Poplar fire crew

লাইমহাউজ এস্টেটে বিগ লাঞ্চ ইভেন্ট অনুষ্ঠিত

Big Lunch event at Limehouse estate – page 25

লাইমহাউজ এস্টেটের বাসিন্দারা গত ১ জুন বিগ লাঞ্চ ইভেন্ট নামের এক অনুষ্ঠানের আয়োজন করেন।

ব্রানটন ওয়ার্ফ টেনেন্টস্ এন্ড রেসিডেন্টস্ এসোসিয়েশনের সদস্যদের উদ্যোগে সালমন লেনের কমিউনিটি ফুড গার্ডেনে আয়োজিত এই অনুষ্ঠানে আগত লোকজনকে এ্যাংলিয়া, ক্লেডোনিয়া, ক্যাম্ব্রিয়া ও ওয়াটারভিউ হাউজের বাসিন্দারা খাবার দাবার, পানীয় দিয়ে আপ্যায়ন করেন। বাচ্চাদের জন্য ছিলো বাউন্সি ক্যাসল, সফট প্লে এরিয়া, জায়ান্ট গেমস্, ক্রাফট স্টল সমূহ, জুনিয়র ক্যারাওকি, ফেস প্যান্টিং ইত্যাদি। লন্ডন ফায়ার ব্রিগেড এর পপলার ইউনিট তাদের গাড়ি নিয়ে সেখানে উপস্থিত হলো সকল বয়সী লোকজন ফায়ার ইঞ্জিনের ভেতরে বসার জন্য ভীড় করেন।

ব্রানটন ওয়ার্ফ টিআরএ এর চেয়ার ইয়ান ক্যাম্বেল বলেন, কমিউনিটি ফুড গার্ডেন প্রতিষ্ঠার আগে এই জায়গাটি অসামাজিক কাজের আখড়ায় পরিণত হয়েছিলো। টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস্ হোমস্ এর অফিসাররা আমাদের এসোসিয়েশনের সদস্য ও কমিউনিটির লোকজনদের সাথে নিয়ে পুরো এলাকাকে সকলের জন্য নিরাপদ স্থান হিসেবে গড়ে তোলেন।

News in brief

স্বেচ্ছাসেবীদের অবদানের স্বীকৃতি দিলো টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস্ কাউন্সিল

বারায় বিভিন্ন ক্ষেত্রে স্বেচ্ছাসেবী হিসেবে যারা অসামান্য অবদান রেখে চলেছেন, তাদের কাজের স্বীকৃতি দিতে এবং স্বেচ্ছাসেবা মূলক কাজের গুরুত্ব তুলে ধরতে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস্ কাউন্সিল বিভিন্ন আনুষ্ঠানিকতার মধ্য দিয়ে পালন করেছে ভলান্টিয়ার্স সপ্তাহ।

এরই অংশ হিসেবে ৩ জুন শেডওয়েলের টার্লিং ইস্ট কমিউনিটি সেন্টারে আয়োজিত এক অনুষ্ঠানে বারার বিভিন্ন চিলড্রেন্স সেন্টারে কর্মরত স্বেচ্ছাসেবীদের মধ্যে সার্টিফিকেট বিতরণ করা হয়। অনুষ্ঠানে বারায় যেসব সেক্টরে স্বেচ্ছাসেবী হিসেবে কাজের সুযোগ রয়েছে, তার ওপর নির্মিত একটি তথ্য চিত্র প্রদর্শিত হয়।

বারার চিলড্রেন্স সেন্টারগুলোতে ১৬০ জনেরও বেশি সেচ্ছাসেবী এবং প্যারেন্টস্ ফোরামের সদস্যরা সক্রিয়ভাবে কাজ করছেন। সেন্টারগুলোর দৈনন্দিন কার্যক্রমে তারা নিয়মিত সময় ও শ্রম দিয়ে যাচ্ছেন।

এই স্বেচ্ছামূলক কাজের ফলে তারা অনেক দক্ষতা ও আত্মবিশ্বাস অর্জন করায় পরবর্তীতে সবেতন কাজে নিযুক্ত হওয়ার সুযোগ পাচ্ছেন।

জুলাই মাসে চালু হবে স্বান্ধ্যকালীন মার্কেট

আগামী জুলাই মাসে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের কয়েকটি মার্কেটে শুক্র ও শনিবার গ্রীষ্মকালীন সান্ধ্য বাজার বসবে। এসব মার্কেটে বাজার সওদা করার জন্য বারার বাসিন্দাদের প্রতি আহ্বান জানিয়েছে কাউন্সিল। ২৭ জুন থেকে ২৭ জুলাই প্রতি শুক্র ও শনিবার সন্ধ্যা ৭টা থেকে রাত ১০টা পর্যন্ত হোয়াইটচ্যাপল এবং ওয়াটনী মার্কেটে এই স্বান্ধ্যকালীন মার্কেট বসবে।

মেয়র, লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, সামারের সময় বারার মার্কেটগুলো সব সময়ই মুখর থাকে। এ বছর আমরা হোয়াটচ্যাপল ও ওয়াটনী মার্কেটকে আরো ব্যস্ত রাখতে চাই। যদি আপনার কোন ব্যবসার আইডিয়া থাকে এবং মার্কেট স্টল পরিচালনা করতে চান, তাহলে আপনিও অংশ নিতে পারেন এই স্বান্ধ্যকালীন মার্কেট সিরিজে।

মার্কেট ট্রেডার হিসেবে নিজস্ব ব্যবসা শুরু করতে আগ্রহীরা ০২০ ৭৩৬৪ ১৭১৭/১৭০৭/১৭০৮ নাম্বারে ফোন করে কাউন্সিলের মার্কেট টীমের সাথে যোগাযোগ করতে পারেন।

■ **The above stories are: Volunteers' Week celebrated – page 2; trade at summer evening markets.**

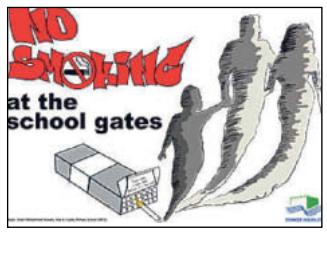
ধুমপান বিরোধী পোস্টার প্রতিযোগিতায় বিজয়ী হলো শাকিল

Stepney pupil designs No Smoking sign for schools – p14

ধুমপান বিরোধী পোস্টার ডিজাইন প্রতিযোগিতায় বিজয়ী ও রানার-আপ শিশু ডিজাইনারদের মধ্যে আনুষ্ঠানিকভাবে এওয়ার্ড প্রদান করা হয়েছে।

৫ জুন অনুষ্ঠিত হেলদি স্কুল এন্ড হেলদি আর্লি ইয়ার্স সেলেব্রেশন ইভেন্টে 'নো স্মোকিং সাইন ডিজাইন প্রজেক্ট' বিজয়ী শাকিল মোহাম্মদ হোসেন (উপরের ছবিতে সার্টিফিকেট হাতে) ও রানারআপদের হাতে তুলে দেয়া হয় এওয়ার্ড।

শাকিল ক্লে প্রাইমারী স্কুলের ইয়ার সিক্স এর ছাত্র। তার ডিজাইনের পোস্টারটি আগামী সেপ্টেম্বর মাসে বারর সকল প্রাইমারী স্কুলের প্রবেশ



পথে লাগানো হবে। দ্বিতীয় ও তৃতীয় স্থান অধিকারীদের পোস্টারেও ধুমপান বিরোধী চমৎকার বক্তব্য তুলে ধরা হয়েছে। বারার ৩৫টি প্রাইমারী স্কুলের ৫ থেকে ৬ বছর বয়সীদের জন্য আয়োজন করা হয়েছিলো এই ডিজাইন প্রতিযোগিতার। ৩৫টি পোস্টার থেকে একজন বিজয়ী ও ৫ জন রানার আপ পুরস্কার লাভ করে।

এই ডিজাইন প্রজেক্টের মাধ্যমে শিশুরা ধুমপানের ফলে স্বাস্থ্যগত সমস্যা সম্পর্কে অবিহত ও সচেতন হওয়ার সুযোগ পেলো।

বিজয়ী ডিজাইনার শাকিল অভিব্যক্তি হলো এমন, "ধুমপান বিরোধী পোস্টার ডিজাইন প্রতি-যোগিতায় আমি জিতেছি বলে যখন খবর পাই, তখন আমি খুশিতে আত্মহারা হয়ে যাই।

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Up with

Waste ground transf

A once neglected corner of the borough has been transformed into a beautiful community garden for everyone to enjoy, as **Sarah McLaughlin** reports. Photos by **Rehan Jamil**.

RESIDENTS and community groups enjoyed a family fun day to celebrate the official opening of the newly-created Lark Row Community Garden in Bethnal Green.

Located off Vyner Street, Lark Row was once an area which attracted anti-social behaviour and illegal dumping but has now been transformed with pretty raised planting areas, trees and open space creating a better environment for everyone.

The site has been re-developed by Common Ground East, a local environmental charity that provides supported volunteering opportunities for the long-term unemployed. They worked hard with local residents and the community over the last 18 months to reclaim the space.

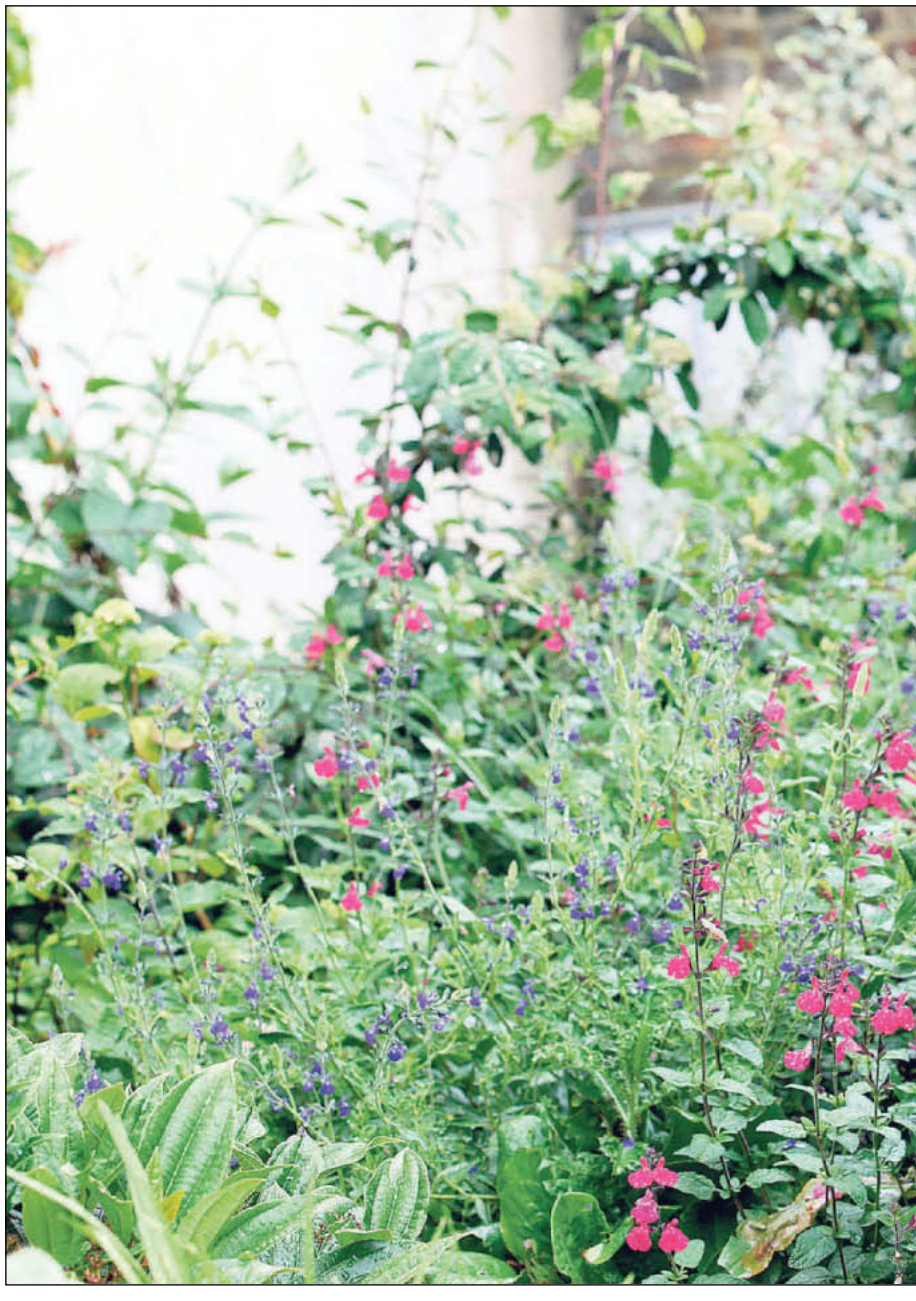
Erroll Wynter, chair of Common Ground East, said: "It is really satisfying to see the work at Lark Row completed and with such a fantastic result. Our ambition was to create a garden that was beautiful and functional for locals to admire and use. I believe we have achieved this and am very proud of the work to date. This is due to the hard work from residents and volunteers at Common Ground East."

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "It's great to see a community come together on a project like Lark Row. The garden is an asset to the local area and I hope that it will be enjoyed and cherished by everyone."

The fun day held on May 28 to mark the official opening of the gardens saw a whole range of activities for everyone, including children and gardening enthusiasts, with planting fun and advice, mosaic making, gardening tips, recycling and composting and even chicken rearing.

Mohammed Ala Uddin enjoys the garden

Melvin from Winterton House Organic Garden



(Right) Plants on sale at the fun day

(Below) Naseema, 6, and Nabeela, 9, try out mosiac making

Emily from Spitalfields City Farm gave advice about planting and showed how plants can be grown in a variety of containers, from tin cans to welly boots. Children could choose a container to fill with compost and plant a seed which they took home with them.

There was a lot of interest in the chickens which accompanied Ken and Melvin from Winterton House in Shadwell. Youngsters were captivated when the birds were brought out of their cages,and Ken and Melvin also passed on tips to people interested in raising chickens.

The Canal Club Garden Group's stunning decorated market barrow was a colourful addition to the garden. Sally Hone from the club took along a variety of plants for sale along with beautiful wild flower posies and locally sourced, and made, elderflower cordial.

During the day, children created two mosaics to hang in the garden, assisted by two of the council's volunteers, John and Kerrith.

Adrian, Roz and service users from Pritchard's Road Day Centre went along with handmade and decorated bird boxes for sale. The All Sorts shop, run by centre users, was selling new and used items, including clothing, household and garden goods, and bric-a-brac.

The shop reported a profit from the day's trading which will go towards training people using the centre to work in retail and customer services.

Adrian Earles, Pritchard's Road green team garden group facilitator, said: "It has been a wonderful day in a wonderful new space for Tower Hamlets. Our service users

n with a feathered friend

The Mudlarks provided musical entertainment

Zaheerul, 11, and Ishaq, 6, are growing their own

the Lark

ormed into city oasis

and I love coming to Lark Row and spending time working in the flowerbeds and sprucing up the area.

"Being part of the project here at Lark Row visibly demonstrates our commitment to the government's social inclusion policy."

The outreach team from the council's cleaning contractors, Veolia – Heather, Kelly and Abul – were on hand to give advice about composting and recycling.

They also ran a swap stall allowing visitors to take along reusable items such as clothes, DVDs, books, toys and bric-a-brac and swap for items that took their fancy.

The day was completed with musical entertainment from local folk group The Mudlarks, who had everybody jigging along to their tunes.

Supported by the council, Common Ground East initiated the new development at Lark Row and raised the necessary funds.

(Above) Ayesha, 9, Amaayah, 5, and Amirah, 8, planted seeds to take home

(Main picture) Nine year old T'ann with some of the flowers

The charity said it was grateful for the generosity and support of the Tower Hill Trust, Transform and Rineys. Tower Hamlets Homes and Peabody have also made vital contributions to the development of the gardens.

For information about further Lark Row events or to get involved in cleaner, greener volunteering opportunities contact Sam Dundas-Dunbar, the council's volunteer co-ordinator, at **cgv@towerhamlets.gov.uk** or call 7364 6696.

If you would like to contact Common Ground East they can be reached on 7702 8517 or **commongroundeast@yahoo.co.uk**

Mother's Mary

Mary-Louise Jones is based at Mother Studios in Hackney Wick.

DETAILS BELOW

Injustice, deceit and passion

The Devil and Stephashka is a topical tale about injustice, deceit, passion and the search for the truth. The performances on June 11 & 18 will be followed by a Q&A session with the writer.

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Out & about guide

What's on where this week

Dance

Argentinian tango E14
Class. Sat 2-5pm. £5.
St John's Community Hall,
37 Glengall Grove, E14.
7538 3852

Ballroom/Latin American
Fri, 2-4pm, £2.50, 20p refreshments.
Kingsley Hall, Powis Road, E3.
8550 1392

Belly dancing
Beginners' belly dancing classes. Sats, 2-3pm, £6.
Oxford House,
Derbyshire Street, E2.
07796 850506

Brazilian dance aerobic classes
Weds 9-10am & Thurs, 1-2pm.
Free.
Alpha Grove Centre,
Isle of Dogs, E14
7538 1714

Energize4Girlz
South African gumboot dancing.
Every other Saturday from 11am-12:30pm.
St Pauls Shadwell Church,
302 The Highway, E1.
energize4girlzdance@gmail.com

Green Candle Senior Dance
Over-60s, no experience is necessary.
Tues, 10.30am-12.30pm, one free taster session.
Oxford House,
Derbyshire Street, E2.
7739 7722

Salsa
For dancers of all experience, beginners welcome, followed by dancing until midnight.
Prices vary.
Every Tues & Weds, 7.30-9.30pm.
The Urban Bar,
176 Whitechapel Road, E1.
07932 658861

Zumba classes
Every Tues 11.15am-12.15pm.
Healthy living sessions every Fri, 11am-3pm.
St Matthias Community Centre,
113 Poplar High St, E14.
7515 8362

Kids

Dance play
Dance and movement for parents/carers and children aged 1-5. Tues, 1.45-2.45pm, £1.50 (concessions available).
Language of Dance Centre,
Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2.
7749 1131

Ballet
Classes every Thurs – ages 3-5 yrs, 3.50-4.25pm, £4; ages 6-11 yrs, 4.25-5.10pm, £4.
Alpha Grove Centre,
Isle of Dogs, E14.
7538 1714

Deaf after school club
For ages 5-12. Mon-Fri, 4-6pm.
Tower Project,
45-55 White Horse Road, E1.
naima@towerproject.org.uk
7790 9085

Exhibitions

Mary-Louise Jones
The internationally exhibited visual artist, based in Hackney Wick, presents new work from her Daughters of Eve series. Also showing will be Benjamin Jensen plus Used Boots and Panties, curated by Julia Maddison.
Until Jun 18.
Cultivate Evolved,
Vyner Street, E2.
www.cultivatevynerstreet.com

Liam O'Connor
The artist-in-residence at the British Museum for the past three years brings a solo show to studio1.1 gallery for the first time. O'Connor picks up longstanding themes based around human traces embedded in the architectural fabric of the city in an exhibition featuring film, video, drawing, printing, photography and text. Weds to Sun, until June 29. 12-6pm.
Studio1.1,
57a Redchurch Street, E2.
www.studio1-1.co.uk

Travel Photography Exhibition
Final week to see a collection of portraits captured around the world by Shazina Hussain & Mohamed Jiva featuring locations including Saudi Arabia, Oman, Morocco, China, Thailand, India, Mexico and South Africa. In aid of Hestia Tower Hamlets Asian Women's refuge.
Mon-Fri, Jun 9-13. 9.30am-5.30pm.
TV Edwards Head Office,
35 Mile End Road, E1.

Photo: London School of Samba

World Cup fever is about to strike and there are plenty of events away from the small-screen action including Bubble Club's Brazilian-flavoured bash to celebrate all that's best about the South American host country. The London School of Samba will be present with Brazilian drumming, dancing and costume the order of the night. Resident DJ Factory DJs will also be on hand to keep the party going. £5.
Weds, Jun 18. 7-11pm.
The Backyard Bar, 231 Cambridge Heath Road, E2.
www.backyardbar.co.uk

Music

Spitalfields Music Summer Festival 2014
Music jamboree featuring 41 performances with collaborations, music-theatre and world premiere performances. Tower Hamlets residents who are new to the festival can claim free tickets by emailing **nostrings attached@spitalfieldsmusic.org.uk**
Some events are free.
Until June 21.
Venues in and around Spitalfields.
Book tickets on 7337 1362
Full programme at
www.spitalfieldsmusic.org.uk

Theatre

The Devil & Stepashka
A new play based on a Tolstoy short story, written by Claire Booker and produced by activist theatre company Goblin Baby. £13/10.
Until Jun 20. 7.30pm.
The Space,
269 Westferry Road, E14.

The Manual Oracle
Contemporary production influenced by Baltasar Gracian's 17th century self-help guide. Topics include paranoia, surveillance culture and racist xenophobia in a modern context. Part of a series of events around Anxiety Arts Festival 2014. £12/5.
Until Jun 14.
The Yard Theatre,
Queen's Yard, Hackney Wick, E9.
www.theyardtheatre.co.uk

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Taster Day – 17th June
Main Programme – 23rd June – 3rd July.
Lunch and travel will be provided during the programme.

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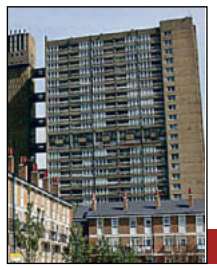
A taste of summer at market festival

Roman Road Festival is seeking volunteers to help at this year's inaugural event, which will feature trails, talks and evening events, and ends with a street party. To sign up, go to...

WWW.ROMANROADLONDON.COM/FESTIVAL



Icon of the east

Ernö Goldfinger's Balfron Tower was built in 1967. It was grade II listed in 1996.

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Out & About

Architecture festival 2014

ARCHITECTS from around the globe are preparing to present their ideas for Poplar as part of a headline event at this year's London Festival of Architecture.

The International Architecture Showcase 2014, co-hosted by Bow Arts Trust and the British Council, has seen ten architects from as far afield as Nigeria, Taiwan and Uganda in residence at Balfron Tower.

Built in 1967, the tower was an early work by Hungarian-Jewish architect Ernö Goldfinger.

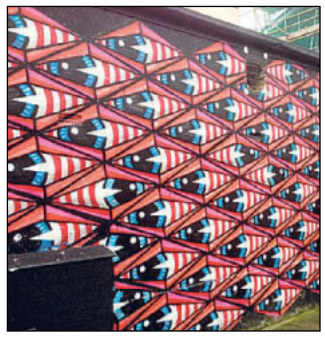
The architects will propose new ideas for Poplar during a full day of free events planned at sites across the area which include walks, film screenings and exhibitions on Saturday, June 21 from 12-7pm.

A further event sees a debate hosted by Ralph Ward, a former adviser for the Olympics and the Thames Gateway. Beyond Docks and Docklands: The Changing Shape of East London takes place at 2pm on June 21 and tickets cost £5. See **www.londonarchitecturediary.com/event/4425**

Meanwhile the National Trust is organising a bus tour of Goldfinger's buildings across London.

This year's tenth London Architecture Festival runs until June 30. Visit **www.londonfestivalofarchitecture.org**

The festival will showcase the street's many attractions including Bow Belly food stall



(Above) Street art
(Below) Pie and mash shop

Roman's the place to be

Shows, walks, live music and Wimbledon final screening at 8-day festival

BY JAMES MARTIN

A NEW festival promises to unlock the secrets of Roman Road while recreating the spirit of the markets seen there in the 1970s and '80s.

Roman Road Festival 2014 is a free community-centred series of events that opens later this month.

A host of cultural events and fun activities are planned during the eight-day festival, including street shows, historical walks, live music and a pop-up cinema.

Many of the events are suitable for the whole family to attend.

The festival, which is hosted by Roman Road Town Team, a volunteer-run community organisation made up of residents and businesses, opens with a day centred around Roman Road and the local area.

On Sunday, June 29, there will be hikes, local tours, a child-friendly nature trail at Mile End Park and storytelling.

Evening meets along Roman Road run throughout the following week, where highlights include pizza-making sessions, quizzes and performances from musician Suzanne Austin and local playwright Simon Stephens.

The programme finishes with a bang on July 6 with Closing Sunday.

On the action-packed final day, the Roman is set to be taken over with street shows, a large outdoor screen that will host the Wimbledon tennis final – along with strawberries and fizz – and a stage with music from the likes of Barbican Drum Works and the Victoria Park Singers.

Other child-centred activities will be held, including a storytelling tent and crafts, while the best in local and world foods will be available in the market fair, which includes the home-spun African food of Zoe's Ghana Kitchen.

For see the latest programme of events at Roman Road Festival 2014, which is still being updated, or to sign up as a volunteer, email **hello@romanroadlondon.com** or visit **www.facebook.com/RomanRoadLDN**

News in brief

Nathan's paintings are a winner

ARTIST Nathan Eastwood has won the inaugural East London Painting Prize.

The Newham resident triumphed over more than 300 entrants from across east London last month to collect the first prize of £10,000.

The artist, whose works were praised for their representations of everyday life in the East End, will be rewarded with a solo show later this year at Nunnery Gallery in Bow.

Tango performance

FANS of Argentinian tango dance can enjoy a special performance and presentation of the form later this month on the Isle of Dogs.

Deep Inside Tango, which takes place on Saturday, June 21, will feature four artists from Buenos Aires who will play a broad selection of dances, as well as guiding visitors through the meaning and history of the musical form.

Tony Lane, who runs the weekly Agentinian tango class and dance TangoE14, is hosting the June 21 event.

For more details, call Tony on 7538 3852 or visit **www.TangoE14.wordpress.com**

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THE Boishakhi Mela returns on June 22 with its usual mix of music, dance and fun for all the family to celebrate the Bengali New Year.

It will be held in Victoria Park from 12 noon to 7.30pm, starting with a colourful procession and grand parade. Among the headliners at the free event will be Kumar Sanu, Ashik Rahman and Mehreen Brishty.

For more information visit **www.boishakhimela.org**

What we saw this week

An occasional column about arts events taking place across Tower Hamlets

House Clearance

BY JAMES MARTIN

OUT & About caught a moving and intimate exhibition at Eleven Spitalfields Gallery.

House Clearance features a collection of sketches by Fay Ballard, in which the artist recreates life in her childhood home in Shepperton, following the death of her father, the writer JG Ballard, in 2009.

That Eleven Spitalfields, off Brick Lane, is in an area full of old Georgian domestic townhouses makes for an ideal setting for the homely works.

Added poignancy is given to the collection as the artist lost her mother at the age of seven and she appears here in some haunting sketches.

The quality of Ballard's drawings are superbly constructed, perhaps not surprising for someone who has been commissioned in collections for the Queen and painted flora at Highgrove. However, it's when the pieces are viewed alongside the gallery notes that some of the objects from the collection really fire to life.

This is the case with the family possessions directly relating to Fay's father JG Ballard, considered one of England's greatest ever novelists.

Among the first pieces visitors see is a painstakingly detailed drawing of a chess set with J.G.B. etched on the box. It turns out to be a prized possession from Ballard's time in Lunghua, where the writer was interned in a civilian prison camp near Shanghai during World War II.

Some of the more obvious "stuff" is equally eye-catching. From the bottle of Johnnie Walker Red Label, a daily tipple before the writer set to a hard day's work, to the reproduction of his first ever bumbling attempt to send an email to his children – ironic for someone who wrote so presciently about the relationship between technology and the future.

JG Ballard's classic High Rise, a story about warring residents living in an ultra-modern apartment block, was set on the Isle of Dogs. A new film adaptation is reportedly set to begin shooting this month.

It's worth checking out this exhibition first.

House Clearance runs at Eleven Spitalfields, E1, until June 27.

Verdict: Thumbs up

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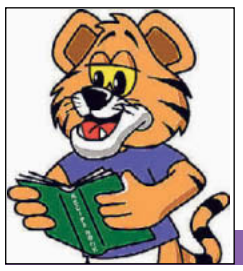

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Eating out, eating in

Pastificio magnifico!

BY GORDON BLUE

I'M now getting so used to finding tiny restaurants and bars secreted behind fridges, florists and pasta shops.

So much so that I'm rather disappointed when I go snuffling around to the back of any given shop, opening doors, only to be knocked sideways by a mop and bucket.

Burro e Salvia is a rather excellent purveyor of handmade pasta, created in front of your eyes and packaged to make you feel special. Behind the rows of tortellini and ravioli though, you'll find a small restaurant with only ten covers.

On a Sunday afternoon, this hideaway is the very essence of civility; glistening glassware, white china and clean and simple décor. We even achieve the larger table to the back under the skylight which drenches us in warm sunlight throughout, tempered by (free) filtered water and a chilled glass of wine.

Starters of anchovies and toast is delicious and very reasonable at £5. The high quality anchovies were served in the tin, which is novel but does remind you of the mark-up.

Burro e Salvia is intimate and relaxed

I would be so tempted to place them in the porcelain anchovy tin they have on sale (to hold toothpicks and the like) for aesthetic reasons but also to promote their own products. Everyone's a winner.

The other starter of devilled eggs with tuna was served with homemade mayo, oh so subtly curried (might not be enough for some) and was another billy bargain at £4.

For mains we had ravioli alla Norma (ravioli with aubergines and ricotta swimming in a melting tomato sauce) and ravioli agli Agrumi, Bottarga e Prezzemolo (ravioli filled with ricotta, lemon and orange zest, mullet roe and parsley).

The former was simply delicious and impressive to find tiny cubes of aubergines (when aubergines are such hard work, what with their salt scrub preps before you even get to dealing with them).

The Agrumi was rather special too, brave with the amount of zest but made the meatiness of the roe light and citrusy. Not bad at £12 a plate for something so delightful. We both heralded this as the best pasta we have ever eaten, and boy have we eaten a lot.

The beer and wine selection is equally impressive and although we ducked out of pudding, both options of chocolate and amaretti pudding and sabayon mousse were extremely tempting when we nosed at others.

Two ate a relaxed and intimate lunch for just over £40 all in. The combination of small space and well deserved popularity makes booking a must (particularly in the evenings – they've started serving a few nights a week in celebration of their first birthday).

Burro e Salvia Pastificio 52 Redchurch Street, E2. Tel: 7739 4429.

Upper crust gives fish dish a twist

EVERY month the council's school catering service provides a tasty, easy to prepare recipe from Trigger's school meal menu for you to try at home.

Send us a picture of yourself preparing or eating the meal – or write a review letting us know what you thought of the dish. Email your entry to **www.myschoollunch.co.uk/TowerHamlets/parents/contact/** or post it to Recipe Competition, Toby Lane Council Offices, Toby Lane, E1 4DN. Don't forget to write your name, address and phone number on the back.

This month's recipe is cod with herb and cheese crust, which has been a popular dish on the summer school menu. It is low fat and is a great alternative to commercially produced breaded fish products.

Serve with a salad or steamed vegetables for a lovely summer supper dish.

Trigger has chosen this meal as he enjoys fish, and loves eating fruit and vegetables (he always eats his '5 A DAY'). Enjoy preparing and don't forget to enter the competition.

Cod with herb and cheese crust – serves 4

Ingredients

4 x 100g cod fillets
30g grated cheese
50g golden breadcrumbs
2 tsp mixed herbs
1 tsp lemon juice
20g vegetable oil

Method

1. Mix the breadcrumbs, mixed herbs and lemon juice.
2. Add the cheese and oil.
3. Mix together – the mixture should hold together but not be wet.
4. Grease a baking sheet, place the fish down and spread on the crumb and herb mixture.
5. It should be approximately 2mm thick.
6. Cook the fish in a pre-heated oven at gas mark 4/175°C for approximately 20 minutes, until golden brown.

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Help and advice for homeseekers

The council and its partners are keen to ensure residents are well informed about their options and earlier this year held their annual homeseekers open day in Poplar, offering help and advice.

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Socially useful

Dot Dot Dot is a social enterprise that lets volunteers live in buildings that would otherwise be empty.

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Move by mutual exchange

BY MEHREEN HUSSAIN

TOWER Hamlets Homes is hosting an event this month for any council or housing association tenants looking to exchange their tenancy.

Mutual exchanges are another way for tenants across the country who rent from the council or other registered social landlords to find a property suited to their needs by exchanging their current property with another council tenant.

The event will be held on Wednesday, June 25 from 10am-4pm at Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, Bethnal Green.

It is the latest in a series of events being held by local landlords which aim to maximise housing potential and encourage residents to consider mutual exchange as a realistic option.

Staff will be available on the day to offer one-to-one advice, promote exchanges and generally support those attending.

The last mutual exchanges event was hosted by East End Homes in Southern Grove and more than 175 residents and their families went along.

The UK's two main exchange providers – HomeSwapper and House Exchange – also attended and registered new applications as well as enhancing the profile of existing ones.

With the growing housing crisis, the council and its partners are keen to ensure residents are well informed about all of their options.

Earlier this year they held their annual Homeseekers open day at the Spotlight Centre in Poplar, giving people the chance to meet staff from Tower Hamlets Homes and other registered social landlords and get information and advice. Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "Residents have a number of housing options available to them and it is important they understand the different schemes and opportunities they may be able to take part in.

"Regular drop-in events are open to anyone wanting to find out more and I encourage people to attend and find out how the council and its partners can help."

To find out more about the mutual exchanges event, contact Tower Hamlets Homes on 7364 5015 or speak to your landlord.

Fun day at the food garden

FAMILIES on a Limehouse estate had a fun day in the sunshine when they took part in a community celebration on June 1.

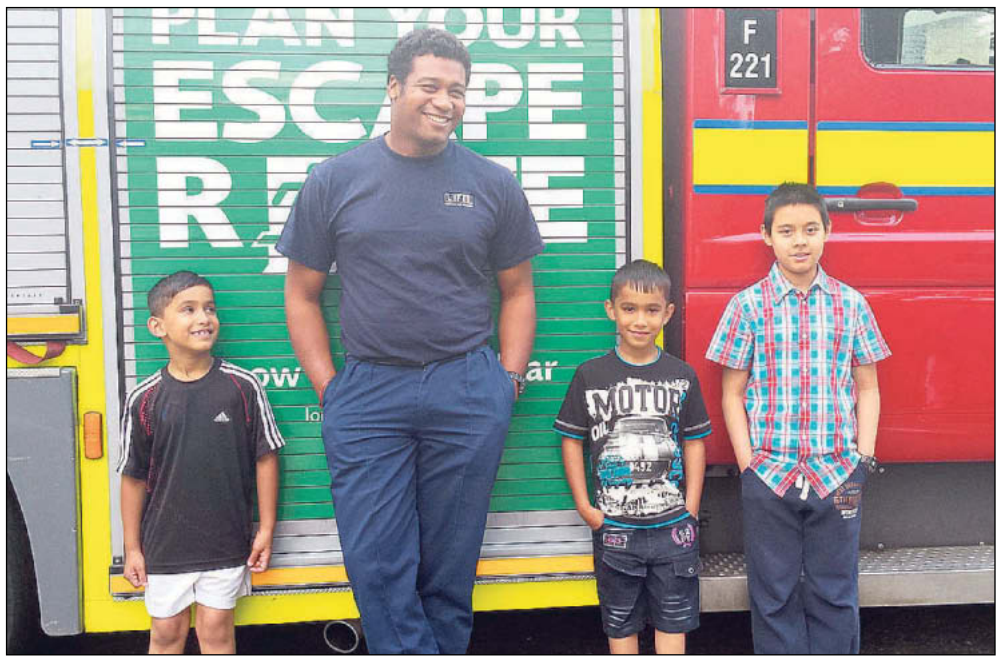
Members of Brunton Wharf tenants and residents association organised the Big Lunch event, which was held in the estate's community food garden in Salmon Lane.

Residents from Anglia, Caledonia, Cambria and Waterview Houses contributed food and drink to the gathering where bouncy castles, soft play areas, giant games, craft stalls, junior karaoke and face painting were on offer.

The arrival of a London Fire Brigade crew from Poplar attracted queues of children and adults wanting to sit inside the fire engine.

Ian Campbell, chair of Brunton Wharf Estate TRA, said: "Before the establishment of the Brunton Wharf community food garden, the area used to have severe youth anti-social behaviour issues.

"But Tower Hamlets Homes housing and environmental services officers worked with the TRA and community members to protect the area and turn it into a safe space for families on the estate."



Ameen, Amaan and Tanim with Poplar White Watch firefighter Peter McDonald-Smith

News in brief

Guardians thanked

INDIVIDUALS who volunteer to live in buildings that would otherwise be vacant, received recognition and thanks from a social enterprise as part of Volunteers' Week 2014 last week.

The live-in guardians protect properties and prevent them from blighting the neighbourhood.

In return, they benefit from cheaper accommodation, allowing them to give more time and energy to other projects.

To mark Volunteers' Week 2014, social enterprise Dot Dot Dot thanked the guardians for contributing more than 18,000 hours of volunteer work across Tower Hamlets over the past 12 months – the equivalent of 11 people working full-time, all year for good causes.

Green volunteers

A TEAM from the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors volunteered for a day in a Bethnal Green community garden.

The garden is at the Zacchaeus Project, in Approach Road, which works to improve the lives of vulnerable older people and their carers.

The team repaired seating areas, re-filled raised beds with more than two tons of organic top soil and helped with general maintenance, including painting and grass cutting.

Give your garden a rosy complexion

Picture from Whartons Roses

Plant of the month from the Horticultural Trades Association

JUNE is a lovely month to be in the garden. With the evenings getting longer and brighter, and the longest day of the year on June 21, the extra light and warmth encourages the garden to put on a burst of growth.

One plant that puts on a great show is the rose, which has seen a revival over the past decade with easier to care for varieties that are more disease resistant.

There is a rose for every garden situation from hybrid teas to miniatures, climbers to floribundas.

They are a great addition to any garden environment, large or small, contemporary or traditional, with varieties for planting in flowerbeds, borders and planters.

Roses can be used for all aspects of the garden, from cladding walls and pergolas to providing informal barriers. Rambling roses can be used to cover old stumps and unsightly fences or walls.

If you want to find out the best rose for your own garden then go to **www.roselocator.co.uk**, a searchable database of roses and stockists.

Roses can also be grown in pots – so ask your local garden centre or nursery about the best variety to get. They can give you planting advice and tips on caring for them.

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Some people require a home that is accessible. These homes are coded as follows:

Category	*Description*
A Wheelchair Accessible	*Purpose built to meet most recent wheelchair housing standards*
B Partially Wheelchair Accessible	*Designed to older wheelchair housing standards*
C Life time Homes	*Specifically designed to create an accessible and adaptable home*
D Easy Access	*Designed to be spacious with no steps to the property*
E Step-free	*General housing with no steps to the property*
F General Housing	*Does not meet requirements for other categories*
G Not assessed	*Property not yet had access survey*

Vulnerable applicants who need help and information regarding their housing application and with finding suitable accessible and/or adapted homes, contact the Lettings Client Support Team on **020 7364 0204 / 0206 / 0209**.

1. Internet Bidding
Just log on to www.thhs.org.uk

2. Telephone Bidding
Simply call 0845 270 2400

Permit Transfer Scheme: for residents moving to 3 bedroom or larger social rented car free homes

The Mayor of Tower Hamlets introduced the new Permit Transfer Scheme (PTS) to operate from 5 September 2011 to help to reduce the levels of overcrowding in social rented housing in the borough. The PTS helps some families move to larger social rented car free homes by allowing them to retain one on-street resident car parking permit, subject to the PTS criteria as outlined below being met. The PTS is a change in the operation of the Council's existing on-street Residents' Parking Permit Scheme.

CAR FREE HOMES No on-street residents' parking permits issued

The Council's 'car free homes' planning policy was introduced in Tower Hamlets in the late 1990s to help reduce traffic congestion and better manage the limited supply of on-street parking spaces. This initiative also helps to reduce the level of air pollution from motor vehicles and encourages more people to walk, cycle and go by public transport.

The Transport for London (TfL) Cycle Hire scheme (www.tfl.gov.uk/cycling) and local pay-as-you-go car clubs (www.carplus.org.uk) are also now available in Tower Hamlets to help you get around in healthier, greener ways.

If you live in a car free home, you will not be able to apply for on-street residents' car parking permits, unless you hold a disabled driver's blue badge or are eligible under the Permit Transfer Scheme (PTS), which is targeted at social rented housing residents. The criteria for the PTS is as follows:

1. applies to residents moving to **3** bedroom or larger social rented car free homes;
2. only one on-street resident parking permit per household is permitted;
3. you must have held your on-street car parking permit for at least 1 year prior to moving home;
4. your on-street parking permit must be renewed and **not lapse to remain eligible** under the scheme;
5. the tenant is responsible for providing proof of PTS eligibility to Parking Services (including a duly signed and dated Tower Hamlets Homes or housing association approved tenancy agreement); and
6. the PTS was introduced on (and operates from) 5 September 2011 by Tower Hamlets Council and **is not retrospective**.

Residents in car free homes can apply for a temporary parking permit for visiting trades people for £5 a day. To qualify, written proof of the work to be carried out must be provided, along with the vehicle's details. Each home can apply for a maximum of 20 one-day-permits within a 6 month period.

Alternatively, scratchcards are available for trades people and visitors, providing parking for up to five hours on weekdays and all day on weekends. Households can apply for up to 3 books of 10 scratchcards per year. For permit charges and information, visit www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/parking

For more detailed information about the following adverts please visit the Homeseekers website at www.thhs.org.uk

OVER 50's
Accessible Category E
BENTWORTH COURT, GRANBY STREET, E2
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

Eligibility : Min Client Age 50

£123.12, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30014

BEDSIT SELF-CONTAINED FLAT
Accessible Category F
LITCHAM HOUSE, LONGNOR ROAD, E1
Flat • 0 Bed 1 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£96.59, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30012

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category F
WINGRAD HOUSE, JUBILEE STREET, E1
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 4th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£125.95, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30034

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category G
EWHURST CLOSE, E1

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Shared garden • Residents parking scheme • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years.

£131.00, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Genesis Housing Association

Property Ref: 30018

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category G
STEPNEY GREEN COURT BLOCK F, STEPNEY GREEN, E1
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Shared garden • Pets not permitted

PREFERENCE TO HOUSING MOVES APPLICANTS

£109.10, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Industrial Dwellings Society

Property Ref: 30032

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category F
LEVEN ROAD, E14

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Check garden on viewing • Pets with landlords permission . One week's advance rent required at sign up of tenancy

£113.08, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 30031

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category G
MING STREET, E14

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Open plan kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • Electric radiators • No garden • Pets not permitted

£96.62, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Southern Housing Group

Property Ref: 30022

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category F
KEDLESTON WALK, E2

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£114.55, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30033

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category F
USHER ROAD, E3

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

£108.23, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30013

1 BEDROOM
Accessible Category G
LEWEY HOUSE, JOSEPH STREET, E3

Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 22nd floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • Balcony • Pets not permitted

£119.26, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Places for People

Property Ref: 30039

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
SOLANDER GARDENS, LOWOOD STREET, E1
Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

£121.93, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30030

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
PITSEA STREET, E1

Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted . Heating & hot water included in charges

£152.79, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30011

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category G
GOODWILL HOUSE, SIMPSONS ROAD, E14
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Shared garden • Off street parking • Pets not permitted

£106.02, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Arhag HA

Property Ref: 30028

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category D
FORGE SQUARE, E14

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Shared garden •Car free home • Pets not permitted

MANAGED BY GENESIS HOUSING ASSOCIATION

£179.96, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Asset Trust

Property Ref: 30016

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
MONTFORT HOUSE, STRATTONDALE STREET, E14
Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

£155.73, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 30020

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
GOUGH WALK, E14

Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission . One week's advance rent required at sign up of tenancy

£142.28, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 30027

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
NARROW STREET, E14

Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • Electric radiators • No garden • Pets not permitted

£144.20, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Newlon HA

Property Ref: 30023

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category G
MELLISH STREET, E14

House • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Open plan kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Off street parking • Pets permitted

£0.00, Rent to be advised
Landlord: East Thames Group

Property Ref: 30036

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category G
CROSSTREES HOUSE, CASSILIS ROAD, E14
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 6th floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years except for those who currently hold a Secure or Assured social housing tenancy

£153.85, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 30007

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
GORDON HOUSE, GLAMIS ROAD, E1W

Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 11th floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission

£142.45, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes

Property Ref: 30006

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
CORFIELD STREET, E2

Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£121.64, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30040

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
CHARLES DICKENS HOUSE, MANSFORD STREET, E2
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 6th floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • Electric storage heater • No garden • Residents parking scheme • Pets not permitted . Concierge . Heating included in charges . Children must be aged 10 years & over

£167.78, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing

Property Ref: 30041

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
YATES HOUSE, ROBERTA STREET, E2

Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 7th floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£120.56, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30029

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
THOMAS HOLLYWOOD HOUSE, APPROACH ROAD, E2
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted . Heating & hot water included in charges

£145.50, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30009

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
SHEFFIELD SQUARE, E3

Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 6th floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

£121.24, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 30008

For more detailed information about the following adverts please visit the Homeseekers website at www.thhs.org.uk

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
BRYANT HOUSE, THOMAS FYRE DRIVE, E3
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 4th floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • Electric radiators • Shared garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years.

£148.26, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Genesis Housing Association

Property Ref: 30019

2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
BERKELEY HOUSE, WELLINGTON WAY, E3
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 18th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • Electric storage heater • No garden • Pets with landlords permission . Children must 10 years & over

£142.21, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes

Property Ref: 30010

3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category G
GRANTLEY STREET, E1
House • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted . One week's advance rent required at sign up of tenancy regardless of income

£153.90, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 30037

4 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category G
BELGRAVE STREET, E1
House • 4 Bed 6 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Pets with landlords permission
TENANT PARTICIPATION EXPECTED IN THE RUNNING OF THE BLOCK. PLEASE SEE BELGRAVE HOUSING CO-OP INFORMATION BELOW

£126.93, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Belgrave Street Housing Co-op

Property Ref: 30026

4 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category D
ADAMS TERRACE, RAINHILL WAY, E3
House • 4 Bed 7 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C,Shower Room with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Off street parking • Pets permitted

MANAGED BY KARIN HOUSING ASSOCIATION

£167.77, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Swan Housing Association

Property Ref: 30015

AFFORDABLE RENT PROPERTIES

Changes to Government policy mean that Housing Associations have been forced to charge higher rents on some properties. In addition not all tenancies will be tenancies for life. **Please note the rent level and length of tenancy offered on the following homes.**

You are advised to check the Homeseekers website at www.thhs.org.uk for further information.

AFFORDABLE RENT
Accessible Category G
WEST INDIA DOCK ROAD, E14
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • Ground Floor • Open plan kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years.

£202.00, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 30038

AFFORDABLE RENT
Accessible Category G
BRADBEER HOUSE, CORNWALL AVENUE, E2
Flat • 0 Bed 1 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets with landlords permission • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 6 years.

£166.66, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Affinity Sutton

Property Ref: 30017

AFFORDABLE RENT
Accessible Category F
HEREFORD STREET, E2
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted • Life Time.

£224.52, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Gateway Housing Association

Property Ref: 30035

AFFORDABLE RENT
Accessible Category A
MINT STREET, E2
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Wet room (walk in shower) • GCH • Private garden • Off street parking • Pets not permitted • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. One week's advance rent required at sign up of tenancy regardless of income . PREFERENCE TO THOSE WITH ASSESSED HEALTH NEEDS

£218.23, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 30024

AFFORDABLE RENT
Accessible Category A
MINT STREET, E2
Maisonette • 2 Bed 3 Person • Ground Floor • New build • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Wet room (walk in shower) • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted • Through Floor Lift • Fixed Term. This is a fixed term tenancy of 5 years. One week's advance rent required at sign up of tenancy regardless of income . PREFERENCE TO THOSE WITH ASSESSED HEALTH NEEDS
£218.23, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Peabody

Property Ref: 30025

1. Internet Bidding

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2. Telephone Bidding

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Reminder

Please respect people's privacy by not attempting to access advertised properties or knocking at neighbouring homes. This causes a nuisance and may distress some individuals.

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- Occasionally inspect houses and draw up lists of repairs
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- Occasionally provide advice and support to our tenants

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Thursday 12 June 2014 | 9.00am to 2.00pm

OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE	CRITERIA
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To book your place at this event, please leave your details with Skillsmatch on **020 7364 0626**
Deadline for leaving details: Wednesday 11th June at 12pm.

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To apply for these positions

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Deadline for leaving details: Friday 13th June 2014 12pm.

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35 hours per week plus 5 additional days

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We are looking for someone:

- with GCSEs at level A-C in English and Mathematics (or equivalent);
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To arrange a visit to the school, please contact Vicky Sykes, Senior Administrator, on the above number.

Application forms, job descriptions and relevant recruitment policies can be downloaded from the school website. Applications should be returned to the school.

Application closing date: 20 June 2014 at 9:00 am

Interviews will be held during the week beginning 23 June 2014

Career Opportunities

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Closing date: 18.06.14

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Ref: CLC00597
Closing date 18.06.14

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Education, Social Care and Wellbeing Directorate
Ref: ESW00275
Closing date: 15.06.14

Data Manager Troubled Families — £35,406 - £38,229 per annum
Education, Social Care and Wellbeing Directorate
Ref: ESW00250 | Fixed Term Contract
Closing date: 15.06.14

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Ref: ESW00160
Closing date: 12.06.14

For more information and to apply for these and other career opportunities, please visit the Tower Hamlets website.

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The governors are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and expect all staff to share this commitment. Successful applicants will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS check.

For further details and an application form please contact Joanna Hannan in the school office. Application forms can also be downloaded from our website **www.st-edmunds.towerhamlets.sch.uk**

Closing date for applications: 23rd June 2014

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TOWER HAMLETS Community Housing THCH

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HOW TO APPLY

1. **Send your CV with a covering letter by 27th June to:** By email: Rosie.Hewson@circle.org.uk
   By post: Rosie Hewson, Circle Housing Old Ford, Eastside Youth and Community Centre, 6 Parnell Road, E3 2RB
2. Applicants will be invited for an assessment day on Monday 14th July, followed by an interview.
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For more information or help with your CV, covering letter or interview practice, contact Rosie Hewson on 0208 981 3298 or 020 8981 9393

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Please download an application pack from the school's website **www.biglandgreen.towerhamlets.sch.uk**

Closing date: Friday 20 June 2014, 12:30pm

Only short listed candidates will be contacted to participate in the selection process on Wednesday 25 June 2014.

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Chris on 7364 4994
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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS
AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2014

Audit Commission Act 1998, sections 15 - 16
Accounts and Audit Regulations 2011 (England) Regulations 9, 10, 21, 22 & 24

The Council's accounts, and the accounts of the Pension Fund administered by the Council, are subject to external audit by Andrew Sayers, Audit Partner, KPMG, 12th Floor, 15 Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London, E14 5GL. Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process:

1. From Tuesday 1st July to Monday 28th July between 9am and 5pm any person may inspect the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2014 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts) at the address given below. They may also make copies of the accounts and documents.
2. From 10am on Tuesday 29th July until the conclusion of the audit process, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address given above to make arrangements to ask any questions.
3. From 10am on Tuesday 29th July until the conclusion of the audit process, a local government elector for the area of the Council, or his/her representative, may object to the Council's accounts asking that the auditor issue a report in the public interest (under section 8 of the Audit Commission Act 1998) and/or apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law (under section 17 of the Audit Commission Act 1998). Written notice of a proposed objection and the grounds on which it is made must be sent to the auditor at the address given above and copied to me at the address given below.

Dated 9th June 2014

KEVIN MILES
Chief Accountant
London Borough of Tower Hamlets
Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London E14 2BG
020 7364 6791

Cayley Primary School
Aston Street, London E14 7NG
Tel: 020 7790 1490

1 x Permanent Midday Meals Supervisor
(7.75 hours a week) 12:00 – 13:30
Pay scale point 8-10 (Hourly rate £9.13 - £9.51)

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(7.75 hours a week) 12:00 – 13:30
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To commence as soon as possible

Cayley Primary School is looking for enthusiastic people to join our team of Midday Meals Supervisors.

The successful applicant will have:

- GCSE grade C or above in Maths and English;
- Excellent interpersonal skills;
- Positive experience of working in a team.

A commitment to Health & Safety is essential as well as a willingness to carry out basic first aid.

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. These posts will be subject to an enhanced DBS check. Visits to the school are welcome and expected.

To request an application pack please email Rafia Amin, Personnel & Administration Manager.

Telephone number: 020 7790 1490
e-mail address: recruitment@cayley.towerhamlets.sch.uk
Closing date: 12:00 noon - Wednesday 18 June 2014
Interview date: to be confirmed

LONDON LEGACY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Under Article 13 Of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 The Town And Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended)

Date of notice: 09-Jun-2014

In accordance with the above act and related legislation, notice is hereby given that the application forms, plans and other documents submitted in relation to the proposal noted below may be examined at the London Legacy Development Corporation reception Level 10, 1 Stratford Place, Montfichet Road, London E20 1EJ. The reception is open from 09:00 – 17:00 Monday to Friday by appointment only telephone number 020 3288 8820. The above documents are also available to download from the Planning Register on the Planning Policy and Decisions Team website http://planningregister.londonlegacy.co.uk. **Anyone who wishes to make comments about the application should write to the address below quoting the relevant Application Reference Number:** Director of Planning Policy and Decisions Team, London Legacy Development Corporation, Level 10, 1 Stratford Place, Montfitchet Road, London E20 1EJ. Alternatively comments can be made by email to: planningenquiries@londonlegacy.co.uk Comments should be submitted within 21 days of the date of this notice and should be received by **29-Jun-2014** **Application Reference No:** 14/00185/REM **Application Site:** Land bounded by Olympic Park Avenue, Portlands, Ravens Walk and Anthems Way, Plot N06, East Village, Zone 5, Stratford City **Description of Proposal:** Reserved Matters Application for layout, scale, design, appearance, access and landscaping pursuant to conditions B1, B8, Q1 and A4 of the Stratford City Outline Planning Permission (ref: 10/90641/EXTODA) comprising the construction of buildings including two towers of up to a maximum height of 29 storeys (115m AOD) and 24 together with associated podium buildings ranging from 7 and 10 storeys respectively to provide 422 residential units with associated parking for cars, motorcycles, cycles and mobility scooters at basement, vehicular access from Anthems Way, and provision of Local Equipped Area of Play on Ravens Walk. **Applicant's name:** QDD Athletes Village UK Limited **Dated:** 09-Jun-2014; Authorised by: Anthony Hollingsworth **On Behalf of:** London Legacy Development Corporation, Planning Policy and Decisions Team.

Public notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 16A

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC (BOISHAKHI MELA PARADE) ORDER 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets with the agreement of the London Borough of Hackney made the above-mentioned Order under section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended by Special Events Act 1994). The effect of the Order will be the Imposition of One-way working on the following directions in the following lengths of street to enable the Boishakhi Mela to be held on and adjacent to the public highway;

1. In Old Ford Road, between its junction with Grove Road Roundabout and its junction with St. Stephens Road made one way in the eastbound direction;
2. In Old Ford Road, between its junction with Grove Road Roundabout and its junction with Bonner Street made one way in the westbound direction;
3. In Bonner Street between its junction with Old Ford Road and its junction with Roman Road made one way in the southbound direction.

Throughout the duration of the Boishakhi Mela Parade, the effect of the Order will be to prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the streets listed;

a) Grove Road, between its junction with Gore Road/ Wetherell Road and its junction with Old Ford Road;

b) Lauriston Road, between its junction with Gore Road/ Wetherell Road and its junction with Victoria Park Road;

The Procession will leave from the west side of Victoria Park and progress across Grove Road to the east through the Royal Gates. Exemption has been provided in the Order for access by Police, Fire and Ambulance vehicles in an emergency, or anything done with the permission of a Police Officer.

The restrictions on vehicular traffic will operate at times when temporary traffic signs, traffic cones and traffic barriers are placed on the public highway on Sunday 22nd June 2014 between 11:00 hours and 18:00 hours at nos.1, 2 & 3 above, and between 11:00 hours and 14:00 hours at nos. A to B above. Whilst the event is taking place, stewards will be present at some of the traffic barriers to provide access for residents and emergency services.

If you require any further details please contact Pam McCrea, Festival and Events Officer on 020 7364 7905 or email festivalsandevents@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Dated: 9th June 2014

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – GALSWORTHY AVENUE E14

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets proposes to make an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in Galsworthy Avenue (in the northbound direction only) from a point outside no. 34 Galsworthy Avenue to its junction with Maroon Street.

The restrictions on vehicular traffic will enable essential dewatering to be carried out on the public highway by Dragados Sisk Joint Venture (DSJV) on behalf of Cross Rail.

The alternative routes to vehicular traffic will be via Maroon Street, Carr Street, Halley Street and Galsworthy Avenue or Maroon Street, Aston Street and Halley Street.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Monday 23rd June 2014 to Tuesday 30th December 2014 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to James Nolan, Street Works Compliance Inspector, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 1806 or email james.nolan@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Dated: 9th June 2014

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Public & Legal Notices

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990, SECTIONS 10, 67 AND 73

APPLICATIONS FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT AND APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT WHICH WOULD IN THE OPINION OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY AFFECT THE CHARACTER OR APPEARANCE OF AN AREA DESIGNATED AS A CONSERVATION AREA OR WOULD AFFECT THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS IS CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS:

47 Cardigan Road (land to rear of 572-574 Roman Road), London **PA/14/1286/SAE**
Demolition of existing storage unit. Erection of a four storey building comprising of 1 x 3 bedroom maisonette and 2 x 2 bedroom flats with associated amenity space.

Dunstan Houses, Stepney Green, London **PA/14/1271/JTH**
Installation of traditionally designed metal railings to Stepney Green boundary

West India Dock Road Cranes, off Prestons Road, London **PA/14/1253/IOL**
Installation of 2 no. Huawei A3900AL cabinets measuring 600mm x 480mm x 1400mm(h) at base of crane. The cabinets will be painted to match the colour of the crane.

38 Spital Square, London, E1 6DY **PA/14/1263/SHT**
Halo illuminated built up letters fixed to aluminium panel 4185mm x 750mm - This is to be installed to the North Elevation, above unit entrance. Halo illuminated built up letters fixed to aluminium panel 520mm x 1450mm (Qty 2) - These are to be installed to the East and West elevations of the building Double sided Project sign illuminated via trough lights to be installed to the North Elevation, right of the unit entrance

13-15 Folgate Street, London, E1 6BX **PA/14/760/KHA**
Erection of 5 storey rear extension to 13-15 Folgate Street and 1-4 Blossom Street to provide 38 additional hotel rooms (Use Class C1).

St Mary And St Michael Primary School, Sutton Street, London, E1 0BD **PA/14/1260/JTH**
New hall extension with brickwork to match existing building and felt flat roof. Also 10 additional parking spaces at front of school as school does not currently have sufficient parking for staff and they are having to park on the grass

596 Roman Road, London, E3 2RW **PA/14/1330/SAE**
Application for a minor material amendment following grant of permission for the redevelopment of the site to form six residential units approved under planning permission number PA/13/00085, Dated 02/04/13

The proposed amendments include:

-Alterations to the proposed boundary fence

-Amended layout for cycle storage

-Alterations to the upper floor window arrangements

Flat 2, 17 Tredegar Square, London **PA/14/1404 & 1194/GMA**
Retrospective application for the retention of existing outbuilding in the rear garden and landscaping of the rear garden

Flat 5, 3 Wellington Way, London, E3 4NE **PA/14/1297/BMC**
Move internal partition stud wall between kitchen and lounge, to make kitchen slightly bigger

9-11 Henriques Street, London **PA/14/1327/ADW**
The Erection of a new building containing six residential units comprising 2 x one-bed apartments, 3 x two-bed apartments and 1 x three-bed apartment and ground floor commercial/office/D1 use, with associated bicycle parking, amenity space, refuse and parking facilities.

1 -19 Stepney Green, London, E1 3JX **PA/14/1261/JTH**
Replace existing white painted sliding sash timber windows with new double glazed white painted sliding sash timer windows. Replace the existing solid six panel red or black painted timber leaf front doors in white painted outer frames with arched fanlight above with new six panel solid doors finished in black to match the existing doors and the new white timber outer frames with arched fanlight.

Replacement of the existing black painted timber single glazed 2xG rear doors in white painted outer frames with new black painted double glazed 2XG doors in white painted outer frames.

182-206 Whitechapel Road, London, E1 1AA **PA/14/993/BEE**
Application to display 2x non-illuminated advertising frames on Whitechapel Road and Cavell Street elevations.

Site To The North Of 75 Manchester Road, London, E14 **PA/14/1230/IOL**
Change of use of 4x railway arches at Millwall Park to a community cafe and restaurant (Use class A3) and construction of single storey extension to the rear of the arches

88-90 Commercial Street, London, E1 6LY **PA/14/1287/SHT**
Installation of new shopfront

International House, 1 St Katharines Way, London **PA/14/1228/ADW**
Change of use of part of the basement level at International House from restaurant (Use Class A3) to offices (Use class B1).

Urban Bar, 27 Three Colt Street, London, E14 8HH **PA/14/1320/BMC**
Demolition of rear extensions and rear walls of the main building. Erection of 5 storey rear extension to facilitate the creation of 5 flats (2 x 1 bed, 2 x 2 bed and 1 x 3 bed). The existing commercial use at ground floor and associated basement level would be maintained.

45 Manchester Grove, London E14 3BG **PA/14/01254/KFL**
Single storey rear extension and loft conversion within existing roof space.

42 Chilton Street, London, E2 6DZ **PA/14/1191/SHT**
Provision of roof to existing bin store.

The following are householder applications and in the event of an appeal against a refusal of planning permission, which is to be dealt with on the basis of representations in writing, any representations made about these applications will be sent to the secretary of state, and there will be no further opportunity to comment at appeal stage.

20 Arbery Road, London, E3 5DD **PA/14/1329/LAB**
Removal of existing rear elevation ground floor window and installation of bi-fold door unit in larger structural opening

119 Cadogan Terrace, London, E9 5HP **PA/14/1334/SAE**
Renew existing double glazed (aluminium) windows to front & rear elevations, with new roof top enclosure over existing rear roof top terrace. Re-building rear elevation main roof parapet wall. Resurface garden frontage & incorporate new cycle / bin / recycling store/s at existing part open-air basement level to front.

39 Vivian Road, London, E3 5RE **PA/14/1356/SHA**
The proposal is to extend the first floor rear extension by 1.4m in order to insert a new W.C. and shower-room to serve the top three bedrooms in the property. This to be constructed in yellow stock brickwork with double glazed timber sash windows and a tiled pitched roof. The ground floor is also remodelled in order to provide an additional bedroom and reconfigured kitchen and shower-room

Copies of the applications and plans may be inspected between the hours of 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday at the Planning Department, Mulberry Place, Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG. The information will also be available on the Council's web site at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk. If you respond by email, please tell us your postal address.

Any person who wishes to make representations relating to any of these applications should do so, in writing, within a period of 21 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Development Control Manager at the above address.

Dated: 9th June 2014

OWEN WHALLEY
Head of Planning and Building Control

TOWER HAMLETS

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TOWER HAMLETS

London Borough of Newham

Planning Applications submitted by London City Airport

Public Consultation – Further revisions to the planning applications including Environmental Statement Second Addendum received

The following planning applications submitted to the London Borough of Newham are advertised under Article 13 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 (as amended) and in accordance with all other relevant statutory requirements arising pursuant to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 and the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011.

London City Airport submitted two inter-related planning applications to the London Borough of Newham on 26 July 2013, to deliver the 'City Airport Development Programme' (CADP), these applications are referred to as CADP1 (planning application 13/01228/FUL) and CADP2 (planning application 13/01373/OUT).

This notice is to advertise that the applicant has submitted revisions to the planning applications including an Environmental Statement Second Addendum in respect of the proposals.

Application Site: London City Airport, Hartmann Road, Silvertown, London, E16 2PX

Planning Application CADP1: Works to demolish existing buildings and structures and provide additional infrastructure and passenger facilities at London City Airport without changes to the number of permitted flights or opening hours previously permitted pursuant to planning permission 07/01510/VAR. Detailed planning permission is being sought for

(a) Demolition of existing buildings and structures;
(b) 4 upgraded aircraft stands and 7 new aircraft parking stands;
(c) Extension and modification of the existing airfield, including the creation of an extended taxi-lane;
(d) Emergency vehicle access point over King George V Dock;
(e) Replacement landside Forecourt to include vehicle circulation, pick up and drop off areas and hard and soft landscaping;
(f) Eastern Extension to the existing Terminal Building (including alteration works to the existing Terminal);
(g) Construction of a three storey passenger pier to the east of the existing Terminal;
(h) Erection of Noise Barriers;
(i) Western Extension and alterations to the existing Terminal;
(j) Western Energy Centre, storage, ancillary accommodation and landscaping;
(k) Facilitation Works including temporary coaching facility and extension to the outbound baggage area;
(l) Upgrading works to Hartmann Road;
(m) Passenger and staff parking, car hire parking, taxi feeder park and ancillary and related work;
(n) Eastern Energy Centre;
(o) Dock Source Heat Exchange System within King George V Dock; and
(p) Ancillary and related work.

This Major Other application is accompanied by an Environmental Statement. The application does not accord with the provisions of the Development Plan.

OFFICER: Sunil Sahadevan

Ref: 13/01228/FUL

Planning Application CADP2: Outline application for erection of a hotel with up to 260 bedrooms, ancillary flexible A1-A4 floorspace at ground floor, meeting/conference facilities together with associated amenity space, landscaping, plant and ancillary works.

This Major Other application is accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

OFFICER: Sunil Sahadevan

Ref: 13/01373/OUT

Both these applications including the revisions are currently being considered by the London Borough of Newham as the Local Planning Authority. Before making a decision on this application, the Local Planning Authority would like to know your views. If you wish to make any comments on this application, including the revised plans/additional information, they should be submitted in writing no later than 10th July 2014. Please note that if you have not submitted comments by this date, the application may have already been determined in which case your views will not be able to be taken into account.

The applications can be viewed online at: **www.newham.gov.uk/pa** where you will be able to view the plans and other documents relating to these applications, as well as send us your views. Please note, that our public access has been upgraded and improved since previous consultations on these applications were undertaken.

In addition, members of the public may inspect copies of the Environmental Statement, additional information, revisions and amended drawings and the other application documents at the following locations (the opening hours listed below are accurate at the time of writing):

- **North Woolwich Library,** 5 Pier Parade, North Woolwich, E16 2LJ (London Borough of Newham). Opening hours: Monday/Tuesday 09.30-17.30, Thursday 13.00-20.00, Saturday 09.30-17.30. CLOSED: Wednesday, Friday, Saturday.
- **Ideas Store Chrisp Street,** 1 Vesey Path, East India Dock Road, E14 6BT (London Borough of Tower Hamlets). Opening hours: Monday-Thursday 09.00-21.00, Friday 09.00-18.00, Saturday 09.00-17.00, Sunday 10.00-16.00.
- **Woolwich Library at The Woolwich Centre,** 35 Wellington Street, Woolwich, SE18 6HQ (Royal Borough of Greenwich). Opening hours: Monday/Thursday 09.00-19.00, Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday 09.00-17.30, Saturday 09.00-17.00. CLOSED: Sunday.
- **Newham Dockside,** 1000 Dockside Road, E16 2QU (London Borough of Newham) - by prior appointment only - Contact sunil.sahadevan@newham.gov.uk or call 020 3373 1423.

Members of the public may obtain hard copies of the original Environmental Statement (ES) at a cost of £300 for each volume (excl postage and packaging), a hard copy of the ES Non-Technical Summary free of charge and a CD Rom version of the ES free of charge. Additional copies of the Environmental Statement First Addendum and Technical Appendices can be provided at a cost of £30, alternatively a CD-ROM version is available for an administrative charge of £15 (including postage and packing). Additional copies of the Environmental Statement Second Addendum and other related additional information submitted can be obtained at a cost of £15, alternatively a CD-ROM version is available for an administrative charge of £10 (including postage and packaging). All Environmental Statement documents are available from: RPS Planning and Development, 14 Cornhill, London, EC3V 3ND or by calling RPS on 020 7280 3200.

Any person wishing to make representations relating to the applications should do so online at: **www.newham.gov.uk/pa** or in writing to the officer identified above at Newham Dockside, 1000 Dockside Road, E16 2QU.

Please note that representations already received regarding these applications will be taken into account by the London Borough of Newham as part of the assessment of the applications.

Newham London

Public notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 16A

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC (ARNOLD CIRCUS WEEKEND EVENT) ORDER 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets made the abovementioned Order under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended by Special Events Act 1994). The effect of the Order will be to prohibit vehicular traffic from proceeding in:

(a) Arnold Circus;

(b) Calvert Avenue, east of its junction with Boundary Street;

(c) Rochelle Street and Palissy Street for a distance of approximately 20 metres and 40 metres from their junctions with Arnold Circus.

The restrictions on vehicular traffic will enable the Arnold Circus Weekend Event to be held on the public highway.

Access will be provided for Police, Fire and Ambulance vehicles in an emergency or access may also be provided with the permission of a Police Officer in uniform.

The alternative routes for vehicular traffic will be via Boundary Street, Redchurch Street, Old Nichol Street, Swanfield Street, Virginia Road, Columbia Road, Hackney Road, and Calvert Avenue.

The Order will operate from 09:00 hours on Saturday 21st June 2014 until 19:00 hours on Sunday 22nd June 2014 when temporary traffic signs and cones are placed on the public highway.

If you require any further details please contact Theresa Berthold, Festival and Events Officer on 0207 364 7924 or email theresa.berthold@towerhamlets. gov.uk

Dated: 9th June 2014

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC - WESTFERRY ROAD / DOCKERS TANNER ROAD E14

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets made an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in Westferry Road at its junction with Dockers Tanner Road.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable essential resurfacing works to be carried out on the public highway by LBTH.

The alternative routes for vehicular traffic will be via Dockers Tanner Road, Arden Crescent, Charnwood Gardens, Copeland Drive, Barnsdale Avenue, Spindrift Avenue and Westferry Road and vice versa.

Throughout the duration of the road closure, for local access to properties the bollards between Charnwood Gardens and Copeland Drive will be removed and the footway temporarily converted to a road.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Thursday 19th June 2014 to Monday 24th June 2014 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to Mike Arnold, Street Scene Engineer, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6868 or email, mick.arnold@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Dated: 9th June 2014

JAMIE BLAKE
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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14 (1)

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC – WHITES ROW E1

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets proposes to make an Order, which will prohibit vehicular traffic from entering, stopping or proceeding in the length of carriageway in Whites Row between its junction with Toynbee Street and its junction with Tenter Ground.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will enable essential crane works to be carried out on the public highway by City Lifting Limited.

The alternative routes for vehicular traffic will be via Toynbee Street, Brune Street and Tenter Ground. Local access into the car park entrance and car park exit will be maintained.

Throughout the duration of the works, the one way working in Toynbee Street between its junction with Whites Row and its junction with Brune Street will be reversed.

The restriction on vehicular traffic will operate from Tuesday 1st July 2014 to Thursday 3rd July 2014 and at times when temporary traffic signs are placed on the public highway pursuant to The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

Please refer any queries regarding the above traffic restriction to Charlie Harrison, Network Coordinator, Transport and Highways on 020 7364 6671 or email, charlie.harrison@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Dated: 9th June 2014

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Mohibur:I'm ready for dream world title shot

Stick fighter selected for British team's Rome trip

BY PETER FAULKNER

OVER the last seven years stick fighter Mohibur Shamim Rahman has gone from an ordinary athlete into an extraordinary one.

He is not a household name, but he has risen to the top of his sport and now stands just a few fights away from becoming world champion.

Last month 40-year-old Mohibur, of Lukin Street, Stepney, became the British Southern Area lightweight champion on padded sticks after a tremendous display at the Luton championships.

It was a victory that could now rocket the father-of-four into world prominence after it ensured his selection for the British team at the world championships in Rome on July 15-19.

In April he claimed the British single sticks title to add to the the British double stick crown he had previously won.

"I have worked hard to get to this level," said Mohibur (pictured right).

"Winning the British title was my first target, but now I am just a short step away from being a world champion and it is something I won't let slip from my grasp.

"Becoming world champion could change my life because it would mean I could become a full-time stick fighting trainer in Tower Hamlets.

"The world title would mean everything to me and my family, and I am training between four to eight hours a day to make sure I am in the best possible condition for the trip to Rome."

The trip to Italy next month will mean five days of continuous fighting, but the prize at the end of it could be the culmination of a seven-year dream.

Mohibur can be contacted at **Shamim champion@live.co.uk** or you can phone him on 07930 943818 if you want private stick fighting or kick-boxing tuition.

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East End Life and SoccerStarz have an England 15-figure team pack, a four-figure blister pack and two single-figure blister packs to give away.

To be in with a winning chance, answer the following question and send your answer, name, address and telephone number to **east endlife.news@ tower hamlets. gov.uk** putting soccer offer in the subject line.

Alternatively, post your entry to East End Life, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG, by 10am on Friday, June 13.

Q. Which World Cup group is England in?

Sailing

CALLING all budding young sailors – Shadwell Basin is the place if you want to be a star on the high seas.

On June 14 and 15 and July 12 and 13 (10am-6pm) there will be two start sailing courses taking place for Royal Yachting Association Level 1.

The two-day introduction to dinghy sailing teaches the basics of sailing to enable you to get safely afloat.

Full cost of the course is £160 and further details can be obtained from 7481 4210 or visit the sailing centre at Shadwell Pierhead, Glamis Road E1.

Football

THE East London Football League started the 2013-14 season with nearly 36 teams, but due to finances and player availability teams were forced to drop out and the league was reduced to 22 sides.

The league is hoping to gain more teams for next season. A few have already applied to join and prices have been reduced to attract more.

Two new cups have also been introduced and teams are also offered teams free training equipment prizes every two weeks and other extras to encourage them to join up.

The league is accepting teams for the 2014/15 season, Apply online at **www.eastlondonsundayfootballleague.co.uk**

Cricket

THE University of East London cricket team are touring Jamaica – thanks to West Indies cricket legend Michael Holding.

Holding, who received an honorary degree and UEL lifetime achievement award last year, helped arrange the seven-day tour, including a visit to his old college and the high school attended by fellow fast bowling legend Courtney Walsh.

Boxing

BOW promoter Johnny Eames turns the Troxy in Limehouse into a battleground for rising stars this Saturday, June 14.

Eames' own featherweight Ian Bailey will be on the bill against two-time English champion Mike Robinson for the International Masters bronze title.

Tennis

AS Wimbledon approaches why not sign up for some action with the Docklands Tennis League.

The mixed-sex singles league is for adults aged 18 years and over, and everyone is welcome.

Players are graded into groups so they play opponents of similar ability.

Matches are arranged by players at a mutually convenient time over eight weeks on courts that suit both.

The league runs from Thursday, June 19 to Wednesday, August 13 and entry is £12 at **localtennisleagues.com/docklands/joinnow**

The closing date for applications is Monday, June 16.

For details email **docklands tennisleague@gmail.com**

Public&Legal Notices

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

MAJOR APPLICATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 13(4)) OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) ORDER 2010 AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT APPLICATIONS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS IS CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS:

41 Thomas More Street, London, E1W 1YY **PA/14/1270/ADW**

Application to vary Condition no. 3 of planning permission dated 11/03/1991, LDDC ref: T/90/199, LBTH ref: WP/90/00205/L, to extend the permitted delivery hours from:

- Between 07:00 and 19:00 hours, Monday to Saturday and not on Sundays or Public Holidays.

to:

Between 07:00 and 23:00 hours, Monday to Saturday and 06:30 to 23:00 hours on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Copies of the applications and plans may be inspected between the hours of 9am-1pm, Monday to Friday at the Planning Department, Mulberry Place, Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG. The information will also be available on the Council's web site at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk. If you respond by email, please tell us your postal address.

Any person who wishes to make representations relating to any of these applications should do so, in writing, within a period of 21 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Development Control Manager at the above address.

Dated 9th June 2014

OWEN WHALLEY
HEAD OF PLANNING & BUILDING CONTROL

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TEAM MANAGER WILLIAM TYTLER

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NEWS FROM TOWER HAMLETS COUNCIL AND YOUR COMMUNITY

The team show off their medals

Canoe kids paddle to double medal success

BY PETER FAULKNER

A GROUP of Tower Hamlets youngsters pulled off a superb medal double when they competed in the Thames Water London Youth Games regatta at the London Regatta Centre.

Although the borough missed out on gold – and a chance to emulate their success of three years ago – they did win a silver and bronze in the canoeing competitions.

Kensington & Chelsea, defending champions, were the overall winners ahead of Richmond, winning slalom and sprint respectively with previous slalom champions Tower Hamlets taking silver in that event and bronze in the sprint.

The youngsters who did so well on the water for the borough were: **Alexandra Tribe**, **Ross Dixon**, **Honor Dixon**, **Michael Watson**, **Kaydeen Wilson**, **Gabriella Leoni** and **William Walker**.

Team manager William Tytler said: "It's really inspiring to see the young people trying to achieve here at the London Youth Games.

"It's really good fun and really great for confidence because being competent on the water after a short spell of training is really good and that inspires them to carry on.

"We're hoping to try and get back to the gold place in the overall slalom which we did three years back.

"We got silver this year so hopefully we'll get gold again next year and we're really happy with the sprints results as well having come third overall this year.

"This is the first time we have done that so we are looking to improve on that for next year."

Boxing round-up

Levi leads the way for Repton's kids

REPTON'S youngsters enjoyed another fine night with seven of them punching their way to the finals of the Junior ABA championships.

On May 31 eight of them travelled to Leysdown, Kent, for their semi-finals with **Jessie Dean Harris** (Class A 75kg) and **Shahid Subhani** (Class B 40kg) both being given walkovers.

Best performer of the day was southpaw **Levi Coates**, who was far too good for Kallum Tindall (Smallholdings) in the Class B 46kg division.

Tindall's brother Joseph was also on the receiving end of the Repton machine, dropping a unanimous points decision in the Class A 46kg category to the stylish **Tommy Roberts**.

James Hanrahan (Class A 48kg) continued the green and gold success by outboxing Lewis Southgate (St Marys) while **Mickey Oates** (Class A 40kg) came back from a close first round to take a unanimous verdict off Shiloh de Freitas (Smallholdings).

Final winner was **Taylor Ayling** (Class B 60kg) who easily handled a much smaller opponent to take a unanimous decision and book his final place.

The only loser, and a disputed one, was **Omar Chaima** (Class A 50kg) dropping a majority points decision to Owen Gidman (Bletchley).

■ FIVE **Repton** boxers competed for England aganst Ireland in Belfast in what was classed as a Commonwealth Games selection match.

Adam Mohammed, **Henry Turner**, **Jamal Khan** and **Jake Henty** all won on points, but the biggest shock was **Johnny Johnson** suffering a first defeat even after having his opponent down.

■ EAST London's **Kevin Mitchell** stayed on course for another world title shot, with a gutsy win at Wembley Stadium.

Mitchell was behind on the judges' scorecards against unbeaten Canadian Ghislain Maduma as they went into the 11th round of their IBF title eliminator.

Mitchell knew he had some work to do and he launched an all-out assault on the tiring Maduma, flooring him twice before forcing referee Phil Edwards to call a halt.

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Learning 2

Free education places for two year olds

Children love to play and learn, and Tower Hamlets has some excellent nurseries, playschools and childminders where they can do just that.

We have listed all Tower Hamlets Learning 2 providers inside this booklet. Contact your preferred one to find out if they have a space for your child.

For more information, and to find out what childcare is available in the borough, call the Family Information Service or visit the website:

020 7364 6495
www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/Learning2

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Can I get a free place for my child?

The Learning 2 programme is only available to children and families that are getting one of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- support through part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit and have an annual income not over £16,190
- the Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- you get Working Tax Credits and earn no more than £16,190 a year

A child is also eligible if any of the following apply:

- they have a current statement of special educational needs (SEN) or an education, health and care plan
- they get Disability Living Allowance
- they've left care through special guardianship or an adoption or residence order
- they are looked after by the local authority

Your local childcare

Choosing childcare is a big step for you and your child. To make it as easy as possible, we have listed all the childcare providers in Tower Hamlets that provide free Learning 2 places. Find your nearest nursery or playschool below. For a local childminder, contact the Family Information Service.

North West

Allen Gardens Playgroup
55 Buxton Street, E1 5EH
Tel: 020 7377 9425
Avebury Playgroup
Roberta Street, E2 6AW
Tel: 020 7739 7053
Bethnal Green Montessori
68 Warner Place, E2 7DA
Tel: 020 7739 4343
Harmony At Account 3
3 Birkbeck Street, E2 6JY
Tel: 020 7739 7720
Heba Nursery
164 Brick Lane, E1 6RU
Tel: 020 7377 0400
Jagonari Playhouse
183-185 Whitechapel Road, E1 1DN
Tel: 020 7422 0904
Noah's Ark Nursery
Little Oaks, Pelter Street, E2 7PE
Tel: 020 7739 2317
Precious Kids Day Nursery Ltd
Montefiore Centre, Hanbury Street, E1 5HZ
Tel: 020 7247 8173
Scallywags Parent Run Nursery
The Canal Club, Waterloo Gardens, E2 9HP
Tel: 020 8980 3666
Tate House @ Meath Gardens
The Spark Centre, 1 Smart Street, E2 0SN
Tel: 020 8983 7745
Tate House Playgroup
Mace Street, Cranbrook Estate, E2 0RA
Tel: 020 8981 2402
Westfield Nursery @ QMUL
406-408 Bancroft Road, E1 4NS
Tel: 020 7882 2782

North East

Bow Nursery
Community Centre Tudor Lodge, E3 3EG
Tel: 020 8983 7973
Burdett Estate Playgroup
Burdett Estate Community Centre, E14 7BW
Tel: 020 7987 6297
Global Kids Nursery Mile End
21 Burdett Road, E3 4TU
Tel: 07852 963 929
Lincoln Hall Playgroup
The Linc Centre, E3 3PR
Tel: 020 7987 8057
Mile End Nursery
8c Morgan Street, E3 5AB
Tel: 020 8983 1897
Overland Children's Centre
Parnell Road, E3 2RU
Tel: 020 7364 0538
Queen Mary Day Nursery
Tidey Street, E3 4DD
Tel: 020 7987 3058
Vernon Playgroup
29 Vernon Road, Bow, E3 5HQ
Tel: 020 8981 7516

South West

Brayford Square Playgroup
6 Brayford Square, E1 0SG
Tel: 020 7791 2426
Global Kids Day Nursery
Lascar Wharf Community Centre, E14 7FN
Tel: 020 7001 1210
John Smith Children's Centre
90 Stepney Way, E1 2EN
Tel: 020 7364 0537
Mary Sambrook Day Nursery
125 The Highway, E1W 2BP
Tel: 020 7488 3796
Old Church Nursery
Walter Terrace, E1 0RJ
Tel: 020 7790 1325
The Nursery @ St Paul's
11 Dock Street, E1 8JN
Tel: 020 7265 0098
Tower Hamlets College Day Nursery
Poplar High Street, E1 0PS
Tel: 020 7729 4761
Wapping Playgroup
Wapping Youth Club, Tench Street, E1W 2QD
Tel: 020 7481 2023
Wapping Playzone
Wapping Womens Centre, Pilchurch Place, E1 1PJ
Tel: 07414 975 392
Winterton House Nursery
16 Deancross Street, E1 2QA
Tel: 020 7265 0098

South East

Abertots Playgroup
Aberfeldy Street, E14 0NU
Tel: 07983 521987
Barkantine Community Nursery
105A Barkantine Nursery Mellish Street, E14 8PR
Tel: 020 7538 8487
City Gateway
Unit 15-16 Heron Quay, E14 4JB
Tel: 020 7515 0253
City Gateway Woman's Project
Landsbury Lodge, 117 Ricardo Street, E14 6EQ
Tel: 020 7515 0253
Headstart Nursery
21-23 Castalia Square, Docklands, E14 3NG
Tel: 020 7993 8439
Island House Playgroup
Roserton Street, E14 3PG
Tel: 020 7531 0310
Limehouse Arches Day Nursery
21-23 Trinidad Street, E14 8AA
Tel: 020 7515 1480
Mudchute Day Nursery
Pier Street, E14 3HP
Tel: 020 7538 8456
Munchkins Playgroup
Teviot Community Centre, Wyvis Street, E14 6QD
Tel: 020 7536 6377
Poplar Play Centre Ltd
111 Poplar High Street, E14 0AE
Tel: 020 7515 1111
Rainbow Playgroup
Calders Wharf Community Centre, Saunders Ness Road, E14 3EA
Tel: 020 7987 3216
St Francis Family Centre
7 Flora Close, Ricardo Street, E14 6EQ
Tel: 020 7987 8257
The Old Station Playgroup
3 Colt Street, E14 8HH
Tel: 020 7537 7776
Tower Hamlets Opportunity Group
115 Three Colts Street, E14 8AP
Tel: 020 7987 5167

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